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MASSACHUSETTS

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OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31

1921

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ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

TOGETHER WITH THE

Report of the School Committee and the
Various Town Officers

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1921

THE PERKINS PRESS, TOPSFIELD, MASS., 1922

TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1921

TOWN CLERK

For Three Years, Term Expires 1923

John W. Parkhurst

SELECTMEN

Harry L. Cole Charles Perley Joseph B. Matthews

ASSESSORS OF TAXES

Harry L. Cole, term expires 1922

Charles Perley, term expires 1923

Charles F. Austin, term expires 1924

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Harry L. Cole Charles Perley Joseph B. Matthews

TREASURER

William K. Cole

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Charles M. Moulton

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Emery L. Bradford

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

William K. Cole William B. Howe John W. Parkhurst

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Dimon Lockwood, term expires 1922

Rev. Edward D. Disbrow, term expires 1923

Chester Killam, term expires 1924

BOARD OF HEALTH

Charles M. Moulton, term expires 1922

William K. Cole, term expires 1923

Charles Perley, term expires 1924

CONSTABLES

David Mighill Avard P. Lyon

SURVEYORS OF HIGHWAY

Raymond Perley Charles M. Moulton

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

Chester Killam Clarence E. Brown Harry L. Cole

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

George A. Gould Chester Killam William K. Cole

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

George B. Parkhurst

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT
Charles Perley

FOREST WARDEN
Clarence E. Brown

TREE WARDEN
S. Arthur Gurley

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS
William J. Greenler, D. V. M.

DOG OFFICER
David Mighill

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING
A. L. Whittier

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Report of Assessors for the year ending December 31, 1921

VALUATION, APRIL 1, 1921

Real estate, land	$379,210 00
Real Estate, Buildings	463,928 00
Personal estate	178,029 00
	$1,021,167 00

STATISTICS

Number of polls assessed	176
Number of persons assessed on polls only	47
Number of residents assessed on property	219
Number of non-residents assessed on property	204
Corporations and others (resident and non-resident)	53
Number of dwellings	277
Number of acres of land	14,269
Number of horses	151
Number of cows	360
Number of neat cattle	98
Number of sheep	142
Number of swine	22
Number of fowl	3,140
Value of fowl	$6,280 00

TAX STATISTICS

Rate on $1,000, $18.50 Polls, $5.00 each.

APPROPRIATIONS OF MARCH 7, 1921

Selectmen	$300 00	
Overseers of the Poor	75 00	
Assessors	550 00	
Treasurer	100 00	
Clerk	250 00	
Collector	275 00	
Accountant	200 00	
Registrars	50 00	
Elections	150 00	
Sealer of Weights and Measures	25 00	
Police	100 00	
District Nurse	100 00	
Dog Officer	25 00	
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth	1,000 00	
Forest Warden	100 00	
Tree Warden	25 00	
Health and Sanitation	500 00	
Charities	1,000 00	
Soldiers' Relief	200 00	
State Aid	150 00	
HIGHWAYS		
General Maintenance	5,000 00	
Washington St.	1,000 00	
(condi'nal app. not put in tax levy)		
Bald Hill Road	40 00	
Street Lighting	350 00	
Memorial Day	75 00	
Town Hall	350 00	
Interest on revenue loan	500 00	
Schools	10,500 00	
Town Reports	125 00	
		$23,115 00

Total appropriation		$23,115 00
State tax	$2,528 80	
County tax	1,746 63	
		4,275 43
		$27,390 43
Estimated receipts		8,497 72
Amount committed to Collector for collection		$18,892 71
December assessment		45 64
Moth Tax		560 37
Poll tax		890 00
Total tax committed		$20,388 72

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1921	$2,709 20
Received from C. M. Moulton	
Tax 1918	5 31
" 1919	29 94
" 1920	
Real and Personal	2,327 20
Poll	10 00
Moth	65 70
Tax 1921	
Personal	3,018 42
Real	13,754 70
Poll	850 00
Moth	497 89
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for details see Accountant's Report	7,387 15
Miscellaneous, for details see Accountant's report	752 78
Revenue loan	10,000 00
	$41,408 29

PAYMENTS

Treasury warrants issued by Town Accountant and approved by Selectmen, for details see Accountant's report	$38,581 74
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1921	2,826 55
	$41,408 29

TREASURER'S REPORT ON TRUST FUNDS

Cash and Securities

Warren Five Cents Savings Bank		$1,000 00	
Interest for the year 1921, $50.00 has been collected and paid to the Town treasury.			
Haverhill Savings Bank		1,000 00	
Interest for the year 1921, $50.63 has been collected and paid to the Town treasury.			
Essex Savings Bank		1,000 00	
Interest for the year 1921, $50.62 has been collected and paid to the school account.			
Lawrence Savings Bank	943 56		
Interest for the year 1921	48 96	992 52	
Danvers Savings Bank	136 14		
Interest for the year 1921	6 19		
		142 33	
			4,134 85
School Funds		3,992 52	
Killam and Curtis Cemetery Fund		142 33	
			$4,134 85

SALE OF TOWN FARM ACCOUNT

Merchants Trust Co., Special Account	1,431 43	
Interest on U. S. Bonds 1921	890 63	
United States Bonds	18,750 00	
		$21,072 06
Interest account, U. S. Bonds	1,368 66	
Interest for year 1921	890 63	
Sale of Town Farm	18,812 77	
		$21,072 06

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Balance of 1918 tax uncollected Jan. 1, 1921		$5 31
Collected and paid treasurer		5 31
Balance of 1919 tax uncollected Jan. 1, 1921		29 94
Collected and paid treasurer		29 94
Balance of 1920 tax uncollected Jan. 1, 1921		
Personal and real	$2,404 73	
Poll	10 00	
Moth	70 27	
		2,485 00
Collected and paid treasurer		
Personal and real	2,327 20	
Poll	10 00	
Moth	65 70	
		2,402 90
Balance of 1920 tax uncollected Dec. 31, 1921		82 10
Personal and real	77 53	
Moth	4 57	
		82 10
Personal, real, poll and moth tax committed by the Assessors for the year 1921		
Personal and real	18,892 71	
Poll	890 00	
Moth	560 37	
December commitment	45 64	
		20,388 72
Collected and paid treasurer		
Personal and real	16,773 12	
Poll	850 00	
Moth	497 89	
Abatement on property	16 04	
Abatement on polls	10 00	
		18,147 05
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1921		2,241 67
Personal and real	2,149 19	
Poll	30 00	
Moth	62 48	
		2,241 67

CHARLES M. MOULTON,
Collector.

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of Boxford.

Gentlemen: I herewith submit to you the following report of the details of the Department of Accounting for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1921.

Respectfully yours,

EMERY L. BRADFORD,

Town Accountant.

RECEIPTS

TAXES		
Balance 1918 tax		$5 31
" 1919 "		29 94
On account 1920 tax		
Real and Personal	2,327 20	
Poll	10 00	
Moth	65 70	
		2,402 90
On account 1921 tax		
Personal	3,018 42	
Real	13,754 70	
Poll	850 00	
Moth	497 89	
		18,121 01
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS		
Forestry	725 70	
State Aid	48 00	
Military Aid	75 00	
Income tax	5,290 66	
Inspector Animals	25 00	
School transportation	521 40	
Supt. Schools	386 67	
Tuition	60 75	
School Fund	253 97	
		7,387 15
Amount carried forward,		*27,946 31*

Amount brought forward,		*27,946 31*
MISCELLANEOUS		
Butcher's license	100 00	
Other licenses	1 00	
County of Essex:		
Dog tax	107 71	
Tuition	30 00	
Arsenate of lead	177 00	
Topsfield		
Quarantine fees	50 00	
Use of Road Machine	5 00	
Fees Sealer Weights & Meas.	9 30	
Old lumber	9 00	
Town School fund	151 25	
Interest on deposits	63 89	
" " Taxes	48 63	
		752 78
Revenue loan		10,000 00
Cash balance Dec. 31, 1920		2,709 20
Total receipts for 1921		$41,408 29

PAYMENTS

General Government

Selectmen		
Services 1920		
Charles Perley	95 00	
Harry L. Cole	125 00	
Chas. F. Austin	100 00	
Perambulating town line		
Charles Perley	25 00	
Harry L. Cole	35 00	
Chas. F. Austin	15 00	
		395 00
Oveseers of the Poor		
Services in 1920		
Charles Perley	10 00	
Harry L. Cole	10 00	
Chas. F. Austin	10 00	
		30 00
Assessors		
Services in 1920		
Charles Perley	75 00	
Harry L. Cole	80 00	
Chas. F. Austin	65 00	
Incidentals	34 21	
		254 21
Treasurer		
Services 1920		
William K. Cole	100 00	
Incidentals	17 47	
		117 47
Town Clerk		
Services 1920		
John W. Parkhurst	155 48	
Incidentals	7 63	
		163 11
Amount carried forward,		*959 79*

Amount brought forward,		*959 79*
COLLECTOR		
Services 1920		
Chas. M. Moulton	175 00	
Bond for 1921	60 00	
Postage, Printing, etc.	52 07	
		287 07
ACCOUNTANT		
Services 1921	200 00	
Com. of Mass. Supplies	36 60	
Incidentals	4 30	
		240 90
ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION		
Services 1921		
Charles Perley	15 00	
Harry L. Cole	15 00	
Chas. F. Austin	10 00	
J. W. Parkhurst	20 00	
		60 00
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES		
Supplies 1921		15 86
FOREST WARDEN		
Services and expenses of Warden	43 57	
Apparatus	85 90	
Fighting fires	27 20	
		156 67
POLICE		
A. P. Lyons	76 00	
David Mighill	68 25	
H. S. Hardy	10 00	
		154 25
DISTRICT NURSE		
Services 1921		100 00
Amount carried forward,		*1,974 54*

Amount brought forward,		*1,974 54*
HEALTH AND SANITATION		
A. L. Whittier, Insp. Slaughter	208 00	
W. G. Greenler, " Animals	50 00	
W. K. Cole	10 00	
Incidentals	5 60	
		273 60
PUBLIC BUILDINGS		
Town Hall		
Janitor	40 00	
Fuel	15 20	
Light	13 68	
Janitor's supplies	1 74	
Painting and Repairs	328 18	
Insurance	45 81	
Rent Lincoln Hall	30 00	
		474 61
LIBRARIES		
West Boxford Library Asso.	53 86	
East " " "	53 85	
		107 71
MEMORIAL DAY		
Expenses paid A. K. Nason		75 00
CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS		
Board of Quimby	365 00	
Board of Goodale	365 00	
State Aid	114 00	
Military Aid	260 00	
Soldiers' Relief	360 00	
		1,464 00
MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS		
Revenue loan 1921	10,000 00	
Interest on loan	376 67	
		10,376 67
Amount carried forward,		*14,746 13*

Amount brought forward,		*14,746 13*
AGENCY		
State tax	2,492 20	
" poll tax	528 00	
Soldiers' exemption	8 43	
County tax	1,746 63	
		4,775 26
MOTH		
Superintendent	197 40	
Labor	1,325 40	
Team	250 80	
Incidentals	33 46	
		1,807 06
HIGHWAYS		
East Parish General maint.	2,411 11	
Pathing snow Mch. 1921	107 75	
Cleaning streets and work on trees after Ice storm Nov. 1921	482 90	
Killam Hill work 1920	6 00	
Bald Hill Road	40 00	
West Parish General maintenance	1,844 68	
Pathing snow Mch. 1921	96 00	
Clearing streets and work on trees after Ice Storm Nov. 1921	186 00	
Street lighting	398 54	
		5,572 98
SCHOOLS		
Salary of Superintendent		
Roscoe G. Frame	291 68	
Ralph R. Barr	208 30	
Salary of teachers		
Jeane F. Sanborn	1,200 00	
Catherine McInness	1,200 00	
Ada S. Clapp	1,080 00	
Esther H. Perley	820 00	
Mary N. Cleaveland	275 00	
Dorothy Durham	150 00	
Blanche H. Millard	100 00	
Amount carried forward,	*5,324 98*	*26,901 43*

Amount brought forward,	*5,324 98*	*26,901 43*
Travelling expenses of Supt.	89 90	
High School Tuition		
North Andover	685 00	
Danvers	656 00	
Lawrence	75 00	
Haverhill	50 00	
Grade School tuition		
Topsfield	296 00	
Middleton	120 00	
Transportation		
High School	1,107 68	
Grade School	1,258 00	
Janitor Service	381 51	
Janitor's Supplies	17 86	
Repairs	114 50	
Well and pump	164 90	
Fuel	434 56	
Text books	241 10	
School supplies	271 89	
" furnishings	54 25	
" physician	35 00	
" fumigating	2 50	
Truant officer	20 00	
Printing, etc.	17 75	
Incidentals	19 65	
		11,438 03
MISCELLANEOUS		
Town Reports 1920		156 15
Re-setting flag staff		86 13
		38,581 74
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1921		2,826 55
		$41,408 29

TOWN OF BOXFORD

Balance Sheet

December 31, 1921

Assets

C. M. Moulton, balance tax 1920	77 53	
C. M. Moulton, balance tax 1920 moth	4 57	
		82 10
C. M. Moulton, balance tax 1921	2,149 19	
C. M. Moulton, balance tax 1921 poll	30 00	
C. M. Moulton, balance tax 1921 moth	62 48	
		2,241 67
Commonwealth of Massachusetts		
State Aid	5 00	
Military Aid	260 00	
		265 00
Cash balance Dec. 31, 1921		2,826 55
		5,415 32

Liabilities

General Government		
Selectmen's account	286 25	
Overseers' "	130 00	
Assessors' "	448 94	
Treasurer's "	183 26	
Clerk's "	213 59	
Collector's "	147 54	
Town Accountant's account	68 83	
Gypsy & Brown Tail Moth account	200 14	
		1,678 55
Excess and Deficiency		2,922 95
Overlay Reserve		517 74
Overlay 1920		144 84
Overlay 1921		151 24
		5,415 32

DETAILS OF EXPENDITURES ON ROADS 1921

EAST PARISH:	Amount	Wages	Teams	Gravel
Barnes Rd.	7.20		7.20	
Bald Pate Rd.	58.50	27.20	30.40	.90
Bixby Rd.	13.60	6.40	7.20	
Dana St.	20.40	9.60	10.80	
Day Ave.	8.00	8.00		
Depot Rd.	258.00	103.20	138.60	16.20
Dresser Rd.	25.25	6.80	18.00	.45
Georgetown Rd.	228.70	71.70	145.60	11.40
Ipswich Rd.	223.10	83.20	131.20	8.70
Janes Rd.	88.45	38.40	47.80	2.25
Killam Hill Rd.	165.60	58.40	99.80	7.40
Main St.	63.45	19.20	43.20	1.05
Middleton Rd.	185.00	69.80	108.00	7.20
Mill Rd.	20.80	6.40	14.40	
New Road Rd.	113.20	30.40	79.20	3.60
River Rd.	10.15	6.40	3.60	.15
Rowley Rd.	7.20		7.20	
Sawyer Rd.	169.30	35.20	126.90	7.20
Topsfield Rd.	532.10	158.40	329.60	44.10
Towne Rd.	49.20	22.40	26.80	
Twitchell Rd.	15.75	12.00	3.60	.15
	2,262.95	773.10	1,379.10	110.75

General Maintenance	2,262 95
Burning Brush	26 60
Use of Automobile	10 00
Bridge work	83 32
R. R. Posts	2 00
Repairs road machine	12 00
Incidentals	14 24
Bald Hill Rd.	40 00
	2,451 11
Pathing Snow in March 1921	107 75
Clearing roads after ice storm of Nov.	482 90
	3,041 76

DETAILS OF EXPENDITURES ON ROADS 1921

WEST PARISH:	Amount	Wages	Teams	Gravel
Barker St.	38.80	24.40	14.40	
Bush Rd.	12.80	12.80		
Glendale Rd	17.60	14.40	3.20	
Highland Rd.	29.20	11.20	18.00	
Ipswich Rd.	203.50	63.20	131.40	8.90
Lake Shore Rd.	85.60	28.00	57.60	
Lily Pond Rd.	65.60	22.40	43.20	
Main St.	751.30	325.60	416.70	9.00
Oak Ridge Rd.	17.60	3.20	14.40	
Valley Rd.	106.20	25.60	75.60	5.00
Washington St.	441.80	130.40	302.40	9.00
Willow Rd.	20.80	6.40	14.40	
	1,790.80	667.60	1,091.30	31.90

GENERAL MAINTENANCE	1,790 80
Tools	11 75
Repairs on Road Machine	12 00
Incidentals	8 35
M. E. Killam, work in 1920	17 28
J. G. Chandler, work in 1920	4 50
	1,844 68
Pathing snow in March 1920	96 00
Clearing roads after ice storm in Nov.	186 00
	2,126 68

RECAPITULATION OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1921.

	Balance from Appropriations 1920	Mch 7, 1921	Transfers from	Received from	Total	Expended	Unexpended Balance	Carried
GENERAL GOVERNMENT								
Selectmen	$381 25	300 00			681 25	395 00	286 25	to 1922
Overseers	85 00	75 00			160 00	30 00	130 00	to 1922
Assessors	153 15	550 00			703 15	254 21	448 94	to 1922
Treasurer	200 73	100 00			300 73	117 47	183 26	to 1922
Clerk	126 70	250 00			376 70	163 11	213 59	to 1922
Collector	159 61	275 00			434 61	287 07	147 54	to 1922
Accountant	76 88	200 00			276 88	240 90	35 98	to 1922
Registrars	120 00	50 00			170 00	60 00	110 00	to E & D
Elections		150 00			150 00		150 00	to Schools
Sealer Weights and Meas.	25 00	25 00	Reserve fund.		50 00	15 86	34 14	to E & D
Police		100 00	54 25		154 25	154 25		
Dog Officer		25 00			25 00		25 00	to E & D
District Nurse		100 00	Reserve fund.		100 00	100 00		
Forest Warden		100 00	56 67		156 67	156 67		
Tree Warden		25 00	Sale of lead	State	25 00		25 00	to E & D
Gypsy & Brown Tail Moth	104 50	1,000 00	177 00	725 70	2,007 20	1,807 06	200 14	to 1922
Health & Sanitation		500 00			500 00	273 60	226 40	to E & D
Libraries				County 107 71		107 71		
CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS								
Support of poor		1,000 00			1,000 00	730 00	270 00	to E&D&schools
State Aid	140 00	150 00			290 00	114 00	176 00	to sol.rel.& E&D
Military Aid			State Aid			260 00		
Soldiers' Relief	60 00	200 00	100 00		360 00	360 00		

Schools		10,500 00					
		From E&D	1,200 00				
		Elections	150 00				
		Charities	100 00	11,950 00	11,438 03	511 97	to E & D
HIGHWAYS			Road Mch.				
General maintenance	54 95	5,000 00	5 00	5,059 95	4,459 54	600 41	to E & D
Killam Hill Road	25 57			25 57	6 00	19 57	to E & D
Bald Hill Road		40 00		40 00	40 00		
Street lighting	317 07	350 00	E & D	667 07	398 54	268 53	to E & D
Ice Storm of Nov.			668 90		668 90		
AGENCY							
State tax					2,492 20		
State poll tax					528 00		
Soldiers' exemption					8 43		
County tax					1,746 63		
MISCELLANEOUS			Reserve fund				
Town Hall		350 00	124 61	474 61	474 61		
			Reserve fund				
Re-setting flag staff			86 13		86 13		
Memorial Day		75 00		75 00	75 00		
Town Reports	238 07	125 00		363 07	156 15	206 92	to E & D
Revenue Loan					10,000 00		
" " Interest		500 00			376 67	123 33	to E & D
				Total Expenditure,	$38,581 74		

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 1921

BIRTHS

Date of Birth 1921	*Child's Name*	*Parent's Name*
Mar. 23	Edwin Bradstreet Owen	Charles Harold Myra Adelaide (Carver)
Apr. 7	Albert Carver Hebb	Robert Bass Clara Josephine (Carver)
Apr. 13	John Edward Adams	Merton Earle Evelyn (Peatfield)
Apr. 22.	Almay Titus	Arthur A. Clara M. (Daniels)
May 22.	Dorothy Ada Titus	Henry Upton Edna May (Hicks)
July 21	Alice Conant Gould	George A. Nettie (Conant)
July 27	Martha Elizabeth Mortimer	Edward Kendall Martha Ellen (Stearns)
July 27	George Roberts Clarke	William Thomas Mary E. (Roberts)
Sept. 20	Robert Bradstreet Jordan	Harold Frederick Marion (Killam)
Sept. 28	Norman Robert Hopping	Norman William Ozell Lee (Putnal)
Sept. 30	Virginia Louise Craig	Charles Clarence Inez Hilda (Sentner)
Oct. 5	Ernest Henry Tansey	Thomas Henry May Anna (McDougall)
Oct. 12	Florence Charlotte Bonvie	Thomas H. Anna Roberta (Harris)
Oct. 16	Charles Henry Foster, Jr.	Charles Henry Sarah Elizabeth (Whittier)
Nov. 4.	John Richard Sawyer	John Colby Gertrude Florence (Butterfield)

MARRIAGES

Date 1921		*Names*	*Residence*
Mar.	10	Marshall P. Whittier Mary M. (Giles) Emerson	West Boxford Haverhill
June	29	Maurice Adams Titcomb Mildred Rena Cole	Pelham, N. H. West Boxford
June	18	Malcolm B. Boyce Rosamon Pearl	Haverhill Bradford

DEATHS

Date of Death			*Age*			
1921		*Name of Deceased*	*Y.*	*M.*	*D.*	*Place of Death*
Jan.	21	Aroline Amelia (Perley) Bean	76	0	4	Northumberland N. H.
Jan.	23	Hiram B. Gould	78	7	14	West Boxford
May	8	Charles Everett Harris	56	3		Boxford
Aug.	18	Catherine B. Matthews	76	7	2	Boxford
Sept.	3	William C. Freeman	55	11	25	Boston
Nov.	13	Giles Emerson	18	8	7	Concord, N. H.
Dec.	2	Sarah Elizabeth Hooper	69	7	10	Topsfield
Dec.	24	Caroline E. (Poor) Carleton	53	4	17	West Boxford
April	22	Almay Titus		0	0	Salem, Mass.

DOG LICENSES

Amount on hand Jan. 1, 1921		
2 dogs at $2.00	4 00	
Whole number licensed in 1921		
70 dogs at $2.00	140 00	
26 dogs at $5.00	130 00	
		274 00
Clerk's fees 94 dogs at 20 cents	18 80	
Amount sent County Treasurer	244 20	
Amount on hand Dec. 31, 1921	11 00	
		274 00

HUNTER'S LICENSES

There were 37 Combination Hunting and Fishing licenses issued in 1921 at $1.00

	37 00	
3 Alien Fishing licenses at $1.00	3 00	
2 Minor Trapper's licenses at 25 cents	50	
		40 50
Clerk's fees 42 licenses at 15 cents	6 30	
Amt. sent Division of Fisheries and Game	34 20	
		40 50

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. PARKHURST,

Town Clerk.

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER FOR 1921

Number of dogs			105
Number of dogs licensed		97	
Dogs taxes not paid		3	
Number of Male dogs		53	
Number of Female Dogs		28	
Number recorded elsewhere		5	
			105
Number of dogs in East Parish:		60	
Male	40		
Female	20		
Recorded elsewhere	5		
2 dog taxes not in			
Number of Dogs in West Parish:		41	
Male	33		
Female	8		
One dog tax not paid			
Amount collected in all			277 00
Amount collected by Dog Officer			220 00
Amount collected by J. W. Parkhurst			57 00
			277 00

Three complaints have been entered to the Dog Officer and attended to.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID MIGHILL,

Dog Officer.

Boxford, Mass., Dec. 31, 1921

REPORT OF THE SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Annual report of Sealer of Weights and Measures of the Town of Boxford.

Number of Scales sealed over 5000 lbs.		2
Number of scales sealed under 5000 lbs.		8
Number of computing sealed		3
Number of other scales sealed		4
Number of weights sealed		38
Number of liquid measures sealed		12
Number of measuring pumps sealed		6
Number of Inspections made		12
Number of Inspections in stores		3
Amount of adjusting charges	10	
Amount of sealing charges	$9 20	
		$9 30
Total amount collected		$9 30

Respectfully submitted,

GEORGE B. PARKHURST,

Sealer of Weights and Measures.

LIST OF JURORS

Following is a list of Jurors for the year 1921.

Charles F. Austin, Main Street, W. Boxford, Farmer.
Arthur Fowler, Washington Street, W. Boxford, Carpenter.
Harold E. Mooers, Main Street, W. Boxford, Teamster.
Simeon S. Pearl, Lake Shore Road, W. Boxford, Farmer.
Thomas O'Brien, Lake Shore Road, W. Boxford, Laborer.
David A. Anderson, Brook Road, W. Boxford, Farmer.
Paul L. Killam, Killam Hill Road, Boxford, Farmer.
Robert B. Parkhurst, Fordway Road, Boxford, Poultryman.
Joseph B. Matthews, Lawrence Road, Boxford, Farmer.
Walter W. French, Haverhill Road, Boxford, Teamster.
George A. Gould, Topsfield Road, Boxford, Laborer.
Clarence E. Brown, Main Street, Boxford, Ice-Dealer.

CHARLES PERLEY,

HARRY L. COLE,

JOSEPH B. MATTHEWS.

Registrars of Boxford, Mass.

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TOWN SCHOOL FUNDS FOR YEAR 1921

The Trustees would report that the funds remain deposited as formerly, viz:

$1,000 in the Warren Five Cents Savings Bank.
1,000 in the Haverhill Savings Bank.
1,000 in the Essex Savings Bank, Lawrence.
1,016.10 in the Lawrence Savings Bank, Lawrence.

Interest upon $3,000 amounting to $151.25 has been collected and paid to the Town Treasurer and interest amounting to $72.54 has been added to the Principal in the Lawrence Savings Bank.

Respectfully submitted,

WM. K. COLE,
WILLIAM B. HOWE,
JOHN W. PARKHURST.
Trustees.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1921

THE PERKINS PRESS, TOPSFIELD, MASS., 1922

SCHOOL OFFICIALS

School Committee

EDWARD D. DISBROW, *Chairman* — Term expires 1923
West Boxford.

CHESTER KILLAM, *Secretary* — Term expires 1924
East Boxford

DIMON LOCKWOOD — Term expires 1922
Topsfield

Superintendent of Schools

RALPH R. BARR
North Wilmington

Attendance Officer

DAVID MIGHILL
East Boxford

School Physician

DR. RAYMOND R. ROOT
Georgetown

School Nurse

JEANNETTE GLEASON
Topsfield

LIST OF TEACHERS FOR 1921-1922

School	*Grade*	*Teachers*	*Where Educated*	*Appointment*	*Salary*
Palmer	1—8	Ada Clapp	Worcester Normal	1920	$1,200 00
Wood	1—8	Esther Perley	Danvers High	1920	850 00
Morse Grammar	6—8	Jeane F. Sanborn	Framingham	1917	1,200 00
Morse Primary	1—5	Catherine McInnes	Salem Normal	1913	1,200 00

SUPERVISORS

of Music

Mary N. Cleaveland	N. E. Conservatoy	1894	275 00

of Drawing

Blanch H. Millard	Mass. Normal Arts.	1921	250 00

SCHOOL CALENDAR

1922

First Term. Jan. 3—Feb. 24, Eight Weeks.

Vacation. Feb. 27—March 3, One Week.

Second Term. March 6—Apr. 28, Eight Weeks.

Vacation. May 1—May 5, One Week.

Third Term. May 8—June 16, Six Weeks.

Summer Vacation. June 19—Sept. 4, Eleven Weeks.

Fall Term. Sept. 5—Dec. 22, Sixteen Weeks.

1923

First Term. Jan. 2.

RULES

SCHOOL ADMISSION

No child will be admitted to the first grade who has not attained the age of five years the date of opening school in September. Pupils are admitted to this grade only at the beginning of the year, unless they have attended school in some other town.

COMPLIANCE WITH VACCINATION LAW

No child will be admitted to any grade who has not complied with the law relative to vaccination. This means that he shall furnish a certificate of vaccination signed by a regular practicing physician or a certificate of exemption with diagnosis signed by a regular practicing physician. If the latter is furnished it will be held valid only during the school year in which it is first presented. It is suggested that parents of children who have not been vaccinated attend to it in August or in the early part of September.

DISCHARGE CARDS

A pupil desiring admission to school, unless he wish admission to the first grade in September, should bring a discharge card from the school previously attended.

A pupil removing from town should obtain a discharge card on the days of his last attendance.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Boxford:

Your Committee takes pleasure in introducing, by way of his report, Superintendent Ralph R. Barr. Mr. Roscoe G. Frame having accepted a position as Superintendent of the schools of Chelmsford, closed his work in this district the last of July. The Joint-committee was fortunate in securing the present incumbent, as Mr. Barr has been very successful as an educator and is improving the condition of our schools already. We also present the report of our Drawing Supervisor, Miss Blanch H. Millard, whose work is telling with her pupils. While Miss Cleaveland needs no introduction, we should not overlook the refining service she is constantly giving our schools and town.

The great increase in the cost of the support of Schools is marked by the tax-payers and should be explained as far as possible. We give the figures in cost for some of the recent school years. The school year is from July 1 to June 30.

1913-1914	$4,735 78	1918-1919	$6,280 06
1914-1915	4,803 32	1919-1920	9,013 46
1917-1918	5,496 48	1920-1921	10,172 22

The School Support for the fiscal year of 1922 will require $12,000.00

1. It is very patent, that, with the general increase in cost anywhere from 100% to 300% that the increase in the cost of the support of Schools would follow.

2. With unskilled service getting three or four times the pay of our teachers, and the girls they were teaching leaving school to fill these higher paid places, it was not fair to the dignity of the profession to leave our teachers their meager salaries. Even now, out of 337 towns in the State of less than 5000 inhabitants the Town of Boxford stands 299 in the rate of teachers' salaries.

3. The State has become greatly disturbed over the conditions revealed in mustering the soldiers for the late war. It was discovered that there were in the State over 300,000 people over twelve years of age who could neither read nor write in the English language. There are 20,000, or 5 to 6 out of every 100, in Essex County. It was also discovered that in the drafted men of Massachusetts in the matter of physical unfitness, one State only was in worse condition and that Rhode Island. Because of these facts the State is doing every thing it can tangibly to improve the schools of the Commonwealth. All towns must have a school nurse. The minimum salary of teachers in our day schools is set at $750. That means that the poorest teacher at the beginning must have that salary, while in 1918 we were paying our best paid teacher $513 per year. The state however is offering generous reimbursements for the higher salaries.

4. The most important thing to consider is the fact, that before 1919 (please note the increase in that year), we were paying for 5 or 6 pupils their tuition at the Danvers High School, this year by the requirement of the State we must pay the transportation and tuition of about 35 pupils in attendance at High School at an average of $132.23 a piece. The tuition alone has increased 50% for these pupils. It has been remarked, "see what we pay for the support of the Boxford schools, and see what we get out of it." Your Committee would say, apart from the modern conveniences (which would not add to the current expenses if we had them), we get all that any town gets and have the problem of long-distance High School transportation to boot.

5. We have an especially large class of 16 pupils graduating from the Morse Grammar School this year where we generally have but 5 or 6 and these will enter the High School in the Fall.

The Town is especially fortunate in the high quality of the teaching corps. It would be hard to replace such teachers as the Misses Sanborn, McInnes, Clapp and Perley, and we bespeak for them the appreciation which is shown not only in salaries

and by silence but of the very best spirit of co-operation. It is the policy of this board to regard the teachers and supervisors as skilled experts who have each a task to perform and that task is planned and administered by an expert educational authority receiving his power from the combined State and Local School Boards. With this in view the committee contracts with the members of the teaching force at a yearly salary to be paid in ten annual payments, and does not employ by the week or even the month. It intrusts to the Superintendent, acting with its counsel, the programme for the year and does not concern itself with the small details, only in so much as to see the courses are covered.

In the matter of Outlay, the Palmer and the Morse School buildings should be painted without and the interior should be redecorated.

As it seems out of the question to open the Kimball and Day School buildings for a far distant period your Committee recommends that they be sold at public sale as per the Town warrant.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD D. DISBROW,

CHESTER KILLAM,

DIMON LOCKWOOD.

School Committee.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

North Wilmington, Mass., January 17, 1922.

To the School Committee of Boxford:

Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit the following report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1921.

Upon assuming my duties as your superintendent, I found my work, outside the regular class room supervision, necessarily limited to plans already drawn and which called for the expenditure of money that would obviously exceed the appropriation voted. The increase in the number of students attending high schools, the increase in the rates of tuition and many other additional demands absolutely impossible to foresee had occasioned this unavoidable situation. Under the circumstances, it was necessary to call a special town meeting and after the case had been carefully explained the needed money was voted. A policy of the most rigid economy has enabled us to finish the year with a substantial unexpended balance.

It is a pleasure to report that there have been no resignations of teachers. There is a scarcity of good grade teachers throughout the country, in fact it is almost impossible to induce capable and experienced teachers to accept positions in rural schools. Our present policy of fair salaries continues to be a good business policy.

At the risk of proving tedious, I wish to take this opportunity to make such recommendations for the future as seem desirable and to point out the essential conditions that govern our school policy.

The arguments for consolidation are undebatable provided that suitable transportation is furnished. In the absence of adequate transportation, one can well sympathize with the parent who chooses the lesser of two evils, preferring to send his

children to the obsolete, ungraded school rather than subjecting his children to walking distances that are beyond the physical capacity of most children to endure. Our first problem is then the problem of transportation. After considerable investigation, I am fully convinced that adequate transportation can be furnished without much additional expense. Our town is widely scattered but there are very few children. It seems certain that the saving that could be obtained through consolidation would offset the increase in the cost of transportation.

The time schedule in use at the Palmer school is given below. A glance at the absurdly short recitation periods indicates all too pointedly the tremendous disadvantage under which our teachers and pupils must work as compared with those in other towns.

9:00–9:10	OPENING EXERCISES				
9:10–9:20	Reading Ib	Reading Ib	Reading Ib	Reading Ib	Reading Ib
9:20–9:30	" Ia	" Ia	" Ia	" Ia	" Ia
9:30–9:40	" II	" II	" II	" II	" II
9:40–9:50	" III	" III	" III	" III	" III
9:50–10:00	Arith. IV	Arith. IV	Arith. IV	Arith. IV	Arith. IV
10:00–10:15	" VII	" VII	" VII	" VII	" VII
10:15–10:30	" VIII	" VIII	" VIII	" VIII	" VIII
	RECESS				
10:45–10:55	Number I	Number I	Number I	Number I	Number I
10:55–11:10	" II, III	" II, III	" II, III	" II, III	" II, III
11:10–11:20	History IV	History IV	Geog. IV	Geog. IV	Nature Stu.
11:20–11:35	" VII	" VII	History VII	" VII	Geog. VII
11:35–11:50	" VIII	" VIII	" VIII	" VIII	" VIII
11:50–12:05	Music I-IV	Music I-IV	Music I-IV	Music I-IV	Music I-IV
	NOON				
1:00–1:10	Reading I	Reading I	Reading I	Drawing	Reading I
1:10–1:20	" II	" II	" II	"	" II
1:20–1:30	English III	English III	English III	"	English III
1:30–1:40	" IV	" IV	" IV	"	" IV
1:40–1:55	Gram. VII	Gram. VII	Gr.VII, VIII	Writing	" VII, VIII
1:55–2:10	" VIII	" VIII	Mu.IV-VIII	Mu. IV-VIII	Mu. IV-VIII
	GYMNASTICS				
2:15–2:30	Music	Spelling	Spelling	Spelling	Spelling
2:30–2:45	"	Mu. IV-VIII	Reading	Reading	Reading
2:45–3:00	"	"	"	"	"

A sanitary engineer from the State Department of Health recently inspected our schools. His written report has not yet been received but during his visit he pointed out many obvious defects in our school buildings, grounds, and equipment. He seemed particularly dubious in regard to the purity of the drinking water.

Satisfactory results are impossible under present conditions, the time schedule is altogether inadequate to the work required, the Palmer and Wood schools are badly ventilated, badly heated, and equipped with only the most meager and primitive sanitary facilities. Conditions would be altogether deplorable were it not for the fact that our teachers are unusually capable, efficient, and resourceful.

There are three possible remedies for these conditions.

First, repairs, alterations, and improvements in the Palmer and Morse schools. This would prove only a half way measure, for the most important defect, the ungraded system, would still continue.

In the field of education, the past decade has witnessed the development of many ideas and scientific devices which already have begun to change educational practise and organization. It is necessary and desirable that we accept some of these helpful ideas. We should use more freely the standard scales by which the effectiveness of any kind of instruction can be measured and difficulties diagnosed, not only for schools and classes but for individual pupils as well. We should adopt one of the systems by which intelligence can be measured and thus clear away, in great part, the difficulties involved in the selection of studies, guidance to vocations, in promotions, and in the grading of pupils both gifted and otherwise. We should adapt to our needs the project method and some of the plans involving pupil activity which aim to help the pupil to help himself and to know himself.

Of these more recent achievements in education that have enabled the teacher to work so much more certainly and scientifically, one at least, the Junior High School, has gone beyond the stage of experiment.

The purposes of the Junior High School are well summarized by Inglis:

To correct the defects in our school system through the following provisions:

"(1) Provision for a better co-ordination and articulation between elementary and secondary education and provision for gradual transition from earlier to later grades. This demands: (a) the close relationing of each successive grade with the preceding grade as far as teaching material and teaching method are concerned; (b) gradual change from the one-teacher plan of the elementary school to the many-teacher plan of the secondary school; (c) gradual change from largely supervised work in the earlier grades to more independent work involving initiative, self-reliance, and responsibility in the later grades; (d) the gradual introduction of new subject matter and its relationing to old subject matter.

(2) Provision earlier in the school system to adapt the work of the school to individual difference among pupils in capacities, aptitudes, interests, and future activities, as well as to the differentiated needs of society. This demands: (a) the earlier introduction of some differentiated studies for different groups of pupils; (b) promotion of pupils by subjects rather than by grades; (c) increased flexibility in the administration of education in the intermediate grades; (d) provision for the introduction of some forms of instruction which may give pupils an opportunity to explore and test out their capacities, aptitudes, and interest; (e) provision for some forms of educational diagnosis and direction; (f) recognition of the needs of those leaving school early; (g) provision for economy of time in the case of the brighter pupils.

(3) Recognition of the importance of the factors of retardation and elimination. This involves: (a) re-organization of the subject matter of the present seventh and eighth grades so as to provide a more contentful and effective form of education for those who must leave school early; (b) the introduction of some prevocational education for those pupils; (c) provision for the reduction of retardation and elimination by improved methods of controlling progress through the grades; (d) the encouragement of larger number of pupils to continue their education into the Senior High School.

(4) Re-organization of teaching materials and teaching methods."

The immediate possibility of a Junior High School in Boxford should be considered in any plan for the re-organization of our schools because it provides so many obvious advantages.

First, a study of the summary of the purposes of the Junior High School already quoted reveals the educational opportunities which would come to our pupils, expecially to those who must leave school early.

Secondly, a Junior High would provide a common interest to the whole town; it would serve as a stimulus to the development of a spirit of town unity.

Thirdly, the additional year in Boxford would give increased maturity and experience of inestimable value to our high school students prepared in rural schools. The dangers and difficulties that now beset our pupils entering for the first time the strange and complex environment of the modern high school would no longer exist for pupils trained in a Junior High School.

Fourthly, so many of our neighboring towns and cities have adopted the Junior High School that already our eighth grade graduates are seriously handicapped.

Fifthly, since our valuation per pupil in average membership is too high to enable us to receive reimbursement from the State a considerable saving would be effected in tuition alone.

It will be necessary for us to do more for public health than we have done formerly in order to comply with the new laws which require the school committee to secure the services of a nurse for all the schools in the town. The law provides that towns in a superintendency union may employ a nurse jointly and the appointment of a nurse awaits the completion of such an arrangement. Soon the school lunch problem, the health problems and physical education generally will receive the attention they properly deserve.

Naturally the inclusion of so many new activities in our schools, increases the expense as compared with that of even a few years ago, but in the main, we may congratulate ourselves

that this budget increase is more apparent than real. The state reimbursement, on account of vocational education, salaries, and transportation is particularly generous to towns of the Boxford type. While we seemingly require more for our schools, to a considerable degree it will hold true, that the more we spend the greater will be the sum that comes back to the town in the form of reimbursement.

In view of the above and so long as present conditions hold, it should be seen that our policy requires a liberal attitude toward transportation, involving the plans for consolidation already indicated, some improvement in our teaching corps to the extent of further salary increase, thus securing at the same time better instruction and greater reimbursement, and finally that accomodations be found for the establishment of a Junior High School. It is regretable that the fine buildings and equipment of the Barker Free Academy are not used for the purposes intended by the donor. I beg to suggest that a public investigation be made with a view to their use as a Junior High School.

I wish to express to the Committee my deep appreciation of their help and co-operation and to testify again to the loyal support and faithful work of our teachers.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH R. BARR,

Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING

To the Superintendent of Schools:

Dear Sir:

I have the honor of presenting my first annual report, as supervisor of drawing, in the public schools of Boxford, Massachusetts.

Thursday is the day that the drawing teacher goes to Boxford. The time for drawing has been divided into two one-half hour periods a week for the lower grades, and two three-quarter hour periods a week for the upper grades. One lesson a week is taught by the drawing supervisor and one lesson a week is taught by the grade teacher.

The work has consisted of paper cutting, proper usage of crayons, animal drawing, drawing of objects, by use of squares, and various other devices, some imaginative drawing, and projects in connection with holidays. Thus far, the drawing supervisor has enjoyed working with the Boxford children very much.

In closing I wish to thank the superintendent and teachers for their co-operation in the drawing work.

Respectfully submitted,

BLANCHE A. MILLARD,

Supervisor of Drawing.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

[No report submitted on account of quarantine.]

GRADUATION EXERCISES

BOXFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOLS

THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE SIXTEEN

LINCOLN HALL, WEST BOXFORD

PROGRAMME

Invocation

REV. E. D. DISBROW

Commencement Song

CLASS OF 1921

Essay—Wireless Telegraphy

ERNEST W. FOSTER

Recitation—Columbus *Miller*

PRISCILLA AUSTIN

Song—Moonrise *Czibulka*

SCHOOL

Reading—Somebody's Mother

ALICE GOULD

Essay—History of Boxford

CHARLOTTE AUSTIN

Reading—Little Hal *Colton*

GILBERT MOOERS

Song—Happy Birds *Holst*

GIRLS' CHORUS

Reading—Darius Green and his Flying Machine

CHARLES DOUCETTE

Operetta—A Trip to Europe *J. C. Macy*

Scene I A parlor or drawing room in New York
Scene II On board an ocean steamer
Scene III At Liverpool

CHARACTERS

Aunt Sue, the chaperone	Helen Gillis
Dick, an "uncertain" fellow	Clinton French
Baby, an indispensable encumbrance	Vernon Clark
First Girl Tourist	Ruth Bonvie
Second "	Eleanor Ingalls
Third "	Esther Mortimer
First Boy Tourist	Leo Richardson
Second "	Archer French
Captain of the steamship	Preston Titus
Custom House officer	Ernest Mortimer
Sailors	George Bonvie, Donald Baker

Address

REV. E. L. BRADFORD

Presentation of Diplomas

SUPT. R. G. FRAME

America

ALL

Benediction

REV. E. D. DISBROW

Class colors: Blue and Silver

GRADUATES

MORSE GRAMMAR

JEANE SANBORN, Principal

Charlotte Austin
Charles Doucette
Alice Gould
Priscilla Austin
Ernest W. Foster
Gilbert W. Mooers

WOOD SCHOOL

ESTHER PERLEY, Principal

Ruth V. Bonvie

PALMER SCHOOL

ADA L. CLAPP, Principal

Helen L. Gillis
Eleanor P. Ingalls

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Topsfield High School	
Danvers High School	8
Johnson High School, North Andover	18
Lawrence High School	1
Haverhill High School	1
Total	28

BY CLASSES

Senior

Donald E. Anderson
Elizabeth F. Benson
Clara E. Killam
Alice Gillis
Eunice R. Auger
Jennie F. Doucette
Caroline E. Mooers
Laurinda Parkhurst
John Regan

Junior

Elvira C. Benson
Ruth E. Chadwick
Mary C. Carver
George F. Gemmell
Mabel O. Gould

Sophomore

Jeannette Auger
Lilienne Auger
George Killam
Sarah A. Cheney
Gardner W. Starrett

Freshman

Charlotte Austin
Ruth V. Bonvie
Ernest W. Foster
Alice Gould
Priscilla Austin
Charles Doucette
Helen L. Gillis
Gilbert W. Mooers
Eleanor P. Ingalls

HONOR ROLL

Sept. 1920–June 1921

MORSE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

For five terms (one year)

Dorothy Fowler
Gilbert Mooers
Evelyn Mooers
Gladys Nason

For four terms

Russell Colby
Beulah Nason

For three terms

Laurence Colby
Dorothy Cole
Robert Cole

For two terms

James Webster

For one term

Mary Budnick
Eva Sabois
John Smith
Ernest Foster
Mary Sellers
Philip Spofford

No. of children in { Grade VI—8, Grade VII—17, Grade VIII—6 }

HONOR ROLL

Sept. 1920–June 1921

MORSE PRIMARY SCHOOL

For four terms

Henry Nason

For three terms

Harriett Benson

For two terms

Charlotte Auger
Richard Chadwick
Doris Cole
Norman Cole
Dorothy Spofford

For one term

Madeline Auger
Walter Chruzzle
Dorothy Clarke
John Clarke
Mary Clarke
Allen Foster
David Sellers
Richard Spofford

No. of children in each grade

Grade V—10
Grade IV—9
Grade III—3
Grade II—8
Grade I—6

HONOR ROLL

Sept. 1921–Jan. 1922

MORSE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

For two terms

Louise Auger
Russell Colby
Evelyn Mooers
Laurence Colby
Dorothy Cole
Beulah Nason
Richard Pearl

For one term

Madeline Auger
Dorothy Clarke
Dorothy Fowler
Mary Budnick
Robert Cole
Gladys Lyon

No. of pupils in { Grade VI—7
Grade VII—7
Grade VIII—16

HONOR ROLL

Sept. 1921–Jan. 1922

MORSE PRIMARY SCHOOL

For two terms

Charlotte Auger
Francoise Auger
Harriett Benson
Henry Nason

For one term

Anna Clarke
Eileen Clarke
John Clarke
Leonard Clarke
Mary Clarke
Doris Cole
Catherine Lyon
Dorothy Spofford

Number of children in each grade

Grade V—8
Grade IV—3
Grade III—3
Grade II—7
Grade I—4

PALMER SCHOOL RECORDS

BOXFORD, MASS.

	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Number of days	18 1/2	19	15 1/2	18
Aggregate attendance	402	426	345	365
Aver. daily attendance	21.95	22.42	22.26	20.28
Total membership	24	23	25	22
Average membership	22.7	23	23.32	22
Per cent of attendance	96.6%	97.4%	95.4%	92.1%

PUPILS

	(5-7)	(7-14)	(14-)	
Boys	1	11	2	14
Girls	0	9	0	9
	1	20	2	23

SUPPLEMENTARY LIST

	(7-14)	
Boys	2	2
		25

ADA L. CLAPP

MORSE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Aggregate attendance	560	549.5	472	491.5
Average daily attendance	29.47	28.92	27.7	27.3
Total membership	31	30	29	30
Average membership	30.94	29.73	29	30
Per cent of attendance	95.24%	97.27%	95.51%	91%

JEANE F. SANBORN

MORSE PRIMARY SCHOOL

	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
Aggregate attendance	372.5	405.5	320.5	360
Average daily attendance	20.14	21.34	20.68	20
Total membership	23	23	23	22
Average membership	21.38	22.26	21.08	21.56
Per cent of attendance	94.20%	95.87%	98.10%	92.76%

CATHERINE McINNES

BOOKS ADDED TO BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY IN 1921

Adams, James T. Founding of New England 974-A3
Atwood, Wallace W. New geography 910-A8
Austin, Mary Outland Au78o
Bailey, Temple Trumpeter swan B16t
Barr, Amelia E. All the days of my life B-B25
Bassett, Sarah Ware Paul and the printing press jB30p
Beach, Rex Winds of chance B33w
Beach, Rex Laughing Bill Hyde B331
Benwell, Harry A. History of the Yankee Division 940.9-B3
Birmingham, G. A. Adventurers of the night B53a
Blackwood, Algernon Centaur B58c
Brown, Helen D. Little Jean jB851
Burgess, Thornton W. Bowser the hound jB8b
" " " Lightfoot the deer jB81
Burnett, Francis H. White people B93w
Baker, George P. Pilgrim Spirit 822-B1p
Brooks, Charles S. Hints to pilgrims 824-B7h
Cable, Boyd Action front 940.9-B1a
" " Between the lines 940.9-B1b
Cadmus and Harmonia Island of sheep C110
Campbell, John C. Southern highlander and his homeland 917-C1
Canfield, Dorothy Brimming cup C16b
Chaffee, Allen Adventures of Twinkly Eyes jC4a
Chambers, Robert W. Little red foot C351
Cobb, Irvin S. Life of the party 827-C401
" " " Plea for old Cap Collier 827-C40p
Cohen, Helen L. ed. One act plays by modern authors 822-C3
Copplestone, Bennett Madame Gilbert's cannibal C805m
Crawford, Mary C. In the days of the Pilgrim fathers 974-C6i
Crothers, Samuel M. Pleasures of an absentee landlord 824-C89pl

Curwood, James Oliver Flaming forest C945f
Dawson, Coningsby Kingdom round the corner D30
Dix, Beulah M. Soldier Rigdale jD4s
Flandrau Viva Mexico F61v
Fitch, George The twenty-four F54t
French, Allen Junior cup jF6j
Garland, Hamlin Daughter of the middle border B-G12d
Gould, Jeanie T. Marjorie's quest jG55
Hammond, J. H. & Jenks, J. W. Great American issues 342-H
Hill, Frederick T. On the trail of Grant and Lee ..... jB-G
Howells, William D. Literary friends and acquaintances 920-H7
Hutchinson, A. S. M. If winter comes H90i
Hurd, Marian K. & Wilson, J. B. When she came home from college jH91
Howe, Frederic C. Denmark 948-H
Irwin, Wallace Seed of the sun Ir6s
Jackson, J. A. & Salisbury, H. M. Outwitting our nerves 131-J
Kellog, Charlotte Mercier B-M53k
Kilmer, Joyce Trees and other poems 821-K5t
Klickman, Flora Between the larchwoods and the wier 824-K7
Knipe, Emilie B. & A. I. Cavalier maid jK8c
Lansing, Robert Peace negotiations 973-L1
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REPORT OF THE WORK OF VISITING NURSE

Report of the work of the Visiting Nurse since co-operating with the Topsfield Community Club from July 1920 to January 1922.

330 visits of one hour each
2 treatments of 3 1/2 hours each
2 surgical visits
1 visit of five hours
1 visit from 10 A. M. to 11 P. M.
4 (obstetrical) cases
Two patients were taken to the hospital.
One patient taken to Eye and Ear Infirmary Boston for removal of cataracts.
53 visits were made in the Palmer and Wood schools.
Two First Aid cases were placed in the schools.
Some work has been done on the children's teeth and several had adenoids removed.

Balance on hand January 1, 1921	$297 35	
Received from		
Town of Boxford	100 00	
Individual Gifts	166 50	
Red Cross drive	35 50	
Fees paid for home visits of Dist. Nurse	107 09	
		706 44
Paid to the Topsfield Community Club:		
For home visits of Dist. Nurse	154 34	
For school visits of nurse including transportation	85 07	
For two "First Aid" emergency kits for school use	6 71	
Miscellaneous	1 00	
		247 12
Balance on hand Jan. 1, 1922		459 32
		706 44

MRS. C. A. BIXBY,
Treasurer.

SUGGESTED BUDGET

The Board of Selectmen recommend that the unexpended balances in the several departments, as shown in the recapitulation on pages 22 and 23 of the Accountant's report, be reappropriated and in addition thereto the following sums:

Selectmen	300 00
Assessors	100 00
Clerk	150 00
Collector	300 00
Accountant	250 00
Registrars	75 00
Elections	150 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	25 00
Forest Warden	100 00
Police	150 00
Dog Officer	50 00
Health and Sanitation	500 00
Street Lighting	750 00
Charities	1,000 00
State Aid	150 00
Soldiers' relief	200 00
Memorial Day	75 00
Interest on revenue loans	500 00
Gypsy and Brown Tail moth	2,000 00
Bald Hill road	40 00
Town hall	150 00
Schools as recommended by the school committee	12,000 00

In respect to the roads the Board of Selectmen wish to leave the amount of appropriation to the discussion and decision of the voters of the town, strongly urging that the town cooperate with the state and county according to the provisions of the state law.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

ESSEX, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Boxford in said County,

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in Town Hall, Boxford, on Monday the sixth day of March next, at nine and one-half o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To choose a member of the School Committee for the term of three years.

Art. 4. To hear and act on reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Art. 5. To receive and act on the report of the Town Accountant.

Art. 6. To take such action as may be thought best relative to compensation of Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the several departments for the current year, to wit: Schools, Schoolhouses, Highways and bridges, Charities, Health department, Soldiers' relief, Street lighting, Moth suppression, State aid, Memorial Day, Forest warden, Town hall, Election expenses, Reserve fund, Interest on temporary loans, Sealer of weights and measures, Town Accountant, Clerk's department, Registrars, Overseers of the Poor, Assessors, Collector, Treasurer, Selectmen, and all other necessary and proper expenses arising during said year.

Art. 8. To see what action the Town will take in regard to unexpended appropriations.

Art. 9. To see what action the Town will take as to the recommendations of the Selectmen.

Art. 10. To see what compensation the Town will pay for labor in the several departments for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for repairs on "Bald Hill" road.

Art. 12. To appropriate money that may be refunded on account of dog licenses, to libraries or schools.

Art. 13. To allow bills of charge.

Art. 14. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of certain non-intoxicating beverages in this Town?

Art. 15. To take action in regard to supplying fuel for the schools.

Art. 16. To take such action as may be deemed best in regard to making roads passable when encumbered with snow.

Art. 17. To determine when the taxes shall be committed to the Collector, also the manner of collecting the same.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the current year.

Art. 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to be used in the care and maintenance of the grounds around the Town Hall, or take any action in the matter.

Art. 20. To see if the Town will authorize the Selectmen to appoint a committee of citizens to investigate and report at the next Town Meeting on the possibility of establishing a Town Forest and to appropriate the sum of $25.00 for the use of the committee for this purpose.

Art. 21. To see if the Town will vote to adopt the Austrailian system of Balloting.

Art. 22. To see if the Town will vote to sell the "Kimball School-house" (so called) at public auction.

Art. 23. To see if the Town will vote to sell the "Day School-house" (so called) at public auction.

Art. 24. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to purchase a "check protector" for the use of the Town Accountant, or take any action in the matter.

Art. 25. To see if the Town will vote to make use of any portion of the Principal or Interest of the "Town Farm Fund" for Public Libraries, or take any action in the matter.

Art. 26. To see if the Town will vote to accept the provisions of the Legislature of 1921 in regard to the appointment of Assistant Assessors, or take any action in the matter.

Art. 27. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting houses in said Town, fourteen days at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Boxford this fifteenth day of February, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-two.

CHARLES PERLEY
HARRY L. COLE
JOSEPH B. MATTHEWS
} *Selectmen of Boxford, Mass.*

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OF THE

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

TOGETHER WITH THE

Report of the School Committee and the
Various Town Officers

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1922

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1922

TOWN CLERK

For Three Years, Term Expires 1923

John W. Parkhurst

SELECTMEN

Harry L. Cole Charles Perley Clinton B. Nason

ASSESSORS OF TAXES

Charles Perley, term expires 1923

Charles F. Austin, term expires 1924

Harry L. Cole, term expires 1925

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Harry L. Cole Charles Perley Clinton B. Nason

TREASURER

William K. Cole

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Charles M. Moulton

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Emery L. Bradford

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

William K. Cole William B. Howe John W. Parkhurst

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Rev. Edward D. Disbrow, term expires 1923

Chester Killam, term expires 1924

Dimon Lockwood, term expires 1925

BOARD OF HEALTH

William K. Cole, term expires 1923

Charles Perley, term expires 1924

Alice P. Austin, term expires 1925

CONSTABLES

David Mighill Avard P. Lyon

SURVEYORS OF HIGHWAY

Raymond Perley David A. Anderson

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

Clarence H. Chaplin Clarence E. Brown Harry L. Cole

Myron E. Killam

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

George A. Gould Chester Killam Harry L. Cole

Alfred K. Nason Clarence E. Brown

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

George B. Parkhurst

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Charles Perley

FOREST WARDEN

Clarence E. Brown

TREE WARDEN

Clarence E. Brown

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William J. Greenler, D. V. M.

DOG OFFICER

David Mighill

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

A. L. Whittier

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Report of the Assessors for the year ending Dec. 31, 1922.

VALUATION, APRIL 1, 1922

Real estate, land	$380,930 00
Real estate, buildings	480,278 00
Personal estate	166,121 00
	$1,027,329 00

STATISTICS

Number of polls assessed	212
Number of persons assessed polls only	70
Number of residents assessed on property	223
Number of non-residents assessed on property	164
Corporations and others (resident and non-resident)	38
Number of dwellings	284
Number of acres of land	14,269
Number of horses	148
Number of cows	355
Number of neat cattle	86
Number of sheep	119
Number of swine	24
Number of fowl	5,082
Value of fowl	$7,630 00

TAX STATISTICS

Rate on $1,000, $22.50 Polls $5.00 each.

APPROPRIATIONS OF MARCH 6, 1922

Assessors	$200 00
Collector	27 46
Accountant	250 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures	25 00
Forest Warden	400 00
Tree Warden	1,000 00
Dog Officer	50 00
Police	150 00
Elections	150 00
Health and Sanitation	500 00
Charities	1,000 00
State Aid	150 00
Soldiers' Relief	200 00
HIGHWAYS, General maintenance	
East Parish	1,875 00
West Parish	1,875 00
Bridges and Incidentals	250 00
Killam Hill Road	1,000 00
Washington St.	1,000 00
Bald Hill road	50 00
Pathing snow	500 00
Street lighting	750 00
Gypsy & Brown tail moth	2,000 00
Tuberculosis Sanatarium	400 00
Interest on loans	500 00
Memorial Day	75 00
Town Hall	150 00
Town reports	147 60
Schools	11,500 00
Registrars	15 00
Total appropriation	$26,190 06

Total appropriation		$26,190 06
State tax	$2,166 70	
County tax	1,723 61	
		3,890 31
		30,080 37
Estimated Receipts		9,138 65
		20,941 72
Overlay		118 89
Amount of regular taxes committed to collector		21,060 61
Moth tax		553 10
Poll tax		1,066 00
December assessment		74 23
Total tax committed		$22,753 94

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1922	$2,826 55
Received from C. M. Moulton	
Tax 1920	60 19
" 1921	1,660 84
" 1922	18,922 71
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for details see Accountant's Report	16,841 78
County of Essex, for details see Accountant's Report	2,170 45
Miscellaneous, for details see Accountant's Report	896 90
Revenue loan	10,000 00
	$53,379 42

PAYMENTS

Treasury warrents issued by Town Accountant and approved by Selectmen, for details see Accountant's Report	$49,397 02
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1922	3,982 40
	$53,379 42

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Balance of 1920 tax uncollected Jan. 1, 1922		77 53	
Collected and paid treasurer		57 62	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1922			19 91
Moth tax 1920 uncollected Jan. 1, 1922		4 57	
Collected and paid treasurer		2 57	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1922			2 00
Balance of 1921 tax uncollected Jan. 1, 1922		2,149 19	
Collected and paid treasurer		1,611 61	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1922			537 58
Moth tax 1921 uncollected Jan. 1, 1922		62 48	
Collected and paid treasurer		49 23	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1922			13 25
Poll tax 1921 uncollected Jan. 1, 1922		30 00	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1922			30 00
Personal, real, poll and moth tax committed by the Assessors for the year 1922			
Personal and Real	21,060 61		
Poll	1,060 00		
Moth	553 10		
December commitment	74 23		
		22,747 94	
Collected and paid treasurer for 1922 tax			
Personal and Real	17,727 72		
Poll	902 00		
Moth	292 99		
		18,922 71	
		3,825 23	
Personal and Real	3,407 12		
Poll	158 00		
Moth	260 11		
			3,825 23
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1923			4,427 97

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of Boxford.

Gentlemen: I herewith submit to you the following report of the details of the Department of Accounting for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1922.

RECEIPTS

TAXES		
C. M. Moulton		
Tax 1920		
Real and personal	57 62	
Moth	2 57	
		60 19
Tax 1921		
Real and personal	1,611 61	
Moth	49 23	
		1,660 84
Tax 1922		
Real and Personal	17,727 72	
Moth	292 99	
Poll	902 00	
		18,922 71
COMMONWEALTH OF MASS.		
Forestry	713 00	
State Aid	114 00	
Military Aid	95 00	
Income tax	7,268 18	
Inspection animals	25 00	
School transportation	963 90	
School Supt.	386 67	
School Fund	959 71	
School tuition	173 82	
High School Tuition	1,642 50	
Amount carried forward	*12,341 78*	*20,643 74*

Amount brought forward,	*12,341 78*	*20,643 74*
For Highways		
Killam Hill Road	1,000 00	
Washington St.	1,000 00	
General maintenance	2,500 00	
		16,841 78
COUNTY OF ESSEX		
Refund on Dog tax	170 45	
For Highways		
Killam Hill Road	1,000 00	
Washington St.	1,000 00	
		2,170 45
MISCELLANEOUS		
Butchers' license	100 00	
Court fines	50 00	
Old books	1 25	
Old plank	1 00	
Hall rent 1921	65 00	
Hall rent 1922	79 50	
Rent Morse House	1 00	
Town School fund	100 62	
Interest on taxes	45 98	
Interest on deposits	43 64	
Arsenate lead	21 25	
Oiling roads	150 26	
D. A. Anderson refund on oil	61 50	
Standard Oil Co. refund on oil	10 00	
Merchants Trust Co. refund on Int.	2 50	
Refund on forest fires		
N. Andover	98 75	
Groveland	26 00	
Boston & Maine R. R.	32 90	
Curtis and Killam Cemetery fund	5 75	
		896 90
Revenue loans		10,000 00
Cash balance Dec. 31, 1921		2,826 55
		53,379 42

PAYMENTS

Selectmen		
Services 1921		
Charles Perley	73 00	
Harry L. Cole	81 00	
Jos. B. Matthews	65 00	
Incidentals	2 75	
		221 75
Overseers of the Poor		
Services 1921		
Charles Perley	5 00	
Harry L. Cole	5 00	
Jos. B. Matthews	5 00	
		15 00
Assessors		
Services 1921		
Charles Perley	75 00	
Harry L. Cole	90 00	
Charles F. Austin	75 00	
Valuation books	267 45	
Clerical work	100 00	
Incidentals	18 45	
		625 90
Treasurer		
Services 1921		
William K. Cole	100 00	
Incidentals	30 80	
		130 80
Collector		
Services 1921		
Charles M. Moulton	175 00	
Bond 1921	60 00	
Postage, printing, etc.	47 42	
		282 42
Town Clerk		
Services 1921		
John W. Parkhurst	116 85	
Incidentals	4 50	
		121 35
Amount carried forward,		*1,397 22*

Amount brought forward,		*1,397 22*
ACCOUNTANT		
Services 1922	200 00	
Incidentals	22 19	
		222 19
ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION		
Registrars	15 00	
Election Officers	104 50	
		119 50
SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES		
George B. Parkhurst		25 00
POLICE		
Harry L. Cole	2 50	
David Mighill	83 50	
A. P. Lyons	56 00	
H. F. Moore	1 30	
H. D. Moore	2 10	
J. S. Chandler	3 00	
		148 40
DOG OFFICER		
David Mighill		34 30
TREE WARDEN		
Clearing up after ice storm of Nov. 1921		945 80
FOREST WARDEN		
Esty fire	28 70	
Nat. Gage fire	14 60	
B. & M. fire	10 40	
Crooked Pond fire	124 59	
Gilbert fire	150 38	
Cole and Chaplin fire	21 25	
Town calls	10 50	
Middleton fire	323 25	
No. Andover fire	98 75	
Groveland fire	26 00	
Clearing up and burning brush	226 67	
Supplies and Equipment	64 23	
		1,099 32
Amount carried forward,		*3,991 73*

Amount brought forward,		*3,991 73*
HEALTH AND SANITATION		
A. L. Whittier Inspector Slaughter	220 00	
W. G. Greenler Inspector Animals	50 00	
Incidentals	2 41	
Watering trough	7 00	
Returning births	1 00	
		280 41
PUBLIC BUILDINGS		
Town Hall		
Janitor	52 50	
Fuel	18 00	
Light	12 63	
Rent Lincoln Hall	10 00	
Ins. Morse House	5 22	
		98 35
LIBRARIES		
West Boxford Library Asso.	85 23	
East " " "	85 22	
		170 45
MEMORIAL DAY		
Expenses A. R. Nason	75 00	
Expenses C. A. Bixby	1 16	
Halliards, F. E. Gillis	2 00	
		78 16
CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS		
Hospital care of Goodale	261 00	
Board of Goodale	289 00	
Board of Quimby	365 00	
State Aid	110 00	
Soldiers Relief	110 00	
		1,135 00
MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS		
Revenue loans 1922	10,000 00	
Int. on loans	295 83	
		10,295 83
Amount carried forward,		*16,049 93*

Amount brought forward,			*16,049 93*
AGENCY			
State tax		2,166 70	
State poll tax		636 00	
Soldiers' exemption		8 32	
County tax		1,723 61	
			4,534 63
HIGHWAYS			
East Parish General Maintenance			
Labor	2,673 93		
Oil	559 03		
		3,232 96	
Killam Hill Road construction			
Labor	2,579 72		
Oil	422 82		
		3,002 54	
Pathing snow March 1922		104 00	
Bridges and incidentals		123 50	
Bald Hill Road		50 00	
West Parish General maintenance			
Labor	3,244 85		
Oil	432 04		
		3,676 89	
Washington Street construction			
Labor	3,090 99		
Oil	61 50		
		3,152 49	
Pathing snow March 1922		277 25	
Street lighting		735 56	
			14,355 19
MOTH			
Supt.		80 00	
Labor		939 60	
Teams		148 00	
Freight		12 85	
Gasoline		14 26	
			1,194 71
Amount carried forward			*36,134 46*

Amount brought forward,			*36,134 46*

SCHOOLS

Ralph R. Barr, Superintendent		524 96	
Ralph R. Barr, Transportation		86 20	
Catherine McInness	1,200 00		
Ada L. Clapp	1,200 00		
Jeane F. Sanborn	720 00		
Esther H. Perley	510 00		
Althea Fogg	180 00		
Mary M. Perdew	240 00		
Julia E. Connolley	340 00		
Lucy A. Hill	360 00		
Mary N. Cleaveland (Music)	275 00		
Blanche H. Millard Drawing	150 00		
Blanche H. Curry (Drawing)	100 00		
		5,275 00	
Jeannette Gleason (Nurse)	75 00		
Esther Nicholes "	74 00		
		149 00	
Dr. R. R. Root, physician 2 yrs		70 00	
Janitor services		301 73	
Truant Officer		10 00	
William K. Cole } Trustees	12 00		
W. B. Howe } Sch. fund	12 00		
J. W. Parkhurst } 3 years	12 00		
		36 00	
High School transportation			
George E. Carver	1,348 00		
Myron Killam	12 00		
Railroad fares	235 20		
Insurance	150 00		
		1,745 20	
Grade School transportation			
George E. Carver	608 00		
Bertha Perley	176 00		
L. L. Ingalls	240 00		
		1,024 00	
Amount carried forward		*9,222 09*	*36,134 46*

Amount brought forward,		*9,222 09*	*36,134 46*
High School tuition			
Danvers	760 00		
N. Andover	1,160 78		
Haverhill	50 00		
		1,970 78	
Grade tuition, Topsfield		150 00	
Fuel		431 57	
Books		77 80	
Supplies		133 53	
Graduation expenses		37 83	
Repairs			
Palmer School	577 36		
Painting	300 00		
General	38 74		
		916 10	
Incidentals		22 05	
			12,961 75
MISCELLANEOUS			
Town Reports 1921		147 60	
Tuberculosis Sanitarium		126 06	
			273 66
Killam and Curtis Cemetery		5 75	
Old Cemetery		11 40	
Standard Oil		10 00	
			27 15
Total payments			49,397 02
Cash on hand Dec, 30, 1922			3,982 40
			53,379 42

RECAPITULATION OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1922.

	Balance from 1921	Approp'tions March 1922	Received from State	Received from County	Rec'd fr. fires out of town	Rec'd from A r s'ate Lead	Rec'd for oiling roads	Rec'd from Refunds	Rec'd from Cem'y Fund	Transfer from E & D	Total	Expended	Unexpended Balance	Carried to E & D
General Government														
Selectmen	$286 25									2 75	289 00	221 75	67 25	67 25
Overseers	130 00										130 00	15 00	115 00	115 00
Assessors	448 94	200 00								53 45	702 39	625 90	76 49	76 49
Treasurer	183 26									17 55	200 81	130 80	70 01	70 01
Clerk	213 59									3 00	216 59	121 35	95 24	95 24
Collector	147 54	27 46								107 42	282 42	282 42		
Accountant	68 83	250 00									318 83	222 19	96 64	96 64
Registrars		15 00									15 00	15 00		
Elections		150 00									150 00	104 50	45 50	45 50
Sealer of Weight and Meas.		25 00									25 00	25 00		
Police		150 00									150 00	148 40	1 60	1 60
Dog Officer		50 00									50 00	34 30	15 70	15 70
Forest Warden		400 00			157 65					541 67	1,099 32	1,099 32		
Tree Warden		1,000 00									1,000 00	945 80	54 20	54 20
Gypsy & Brown Tail Moth	200 14	2,000 00	713 00			21 25					2,934 39	1,194 71	1,739 68	1,739 68
Health & Sanitation		500 00									500 00	280 41	219 59	219 59
Charities and Soldiers' Relief														
Support of Poor		1,000 00									1,000 00	915 00	85 00	85 00
State Aid		150 00									150 00	110 00	40 00	40 00
Soldiers' Relief		200 00									200 00	110 00	90 00	90 00
Schools		11,500 00								1,500 00	13,000 00	12,961 75	38 25	38 25
Libraries				170 45							170 45	170 45		
Highways														
General maintenance														
East Parish		1,875 00	1,250 00				97 26				3,222 26	3,218 72	2 54	3 54
West Parish		1,875 00	1,250 00				53 00			586 80	3,764 80	3,764 80		
Killam Hill Road		1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00							3,000 00	3,000 00		
Washington Street		1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00			61 50				3,061 50	3,061 50		
Bald Hill Road		50 00									50 00	50 00		
Street lighting		750 00									750 00	735 56	14 44	14 44
Bridges and Incidentals		250 00									250 00	143 36	106 64	106 64
Pathing snow		500 00									500 00	381 25	118 75	118 75
Agency														
State tax												2,166 70		
State poll tax												636 00		
Soldiers' exemption												8 32		
County tax												1,723 61		
Miscellaneous														
Memorial Day		75 00								3 16	78 16	78 16		
Town Reports		147 60									147 60	147 60		
Curtis & Killam Cemetery									5 75		5 75	5 75		
Old Cemetery										11 40	11 40	11 40		
Revenue loan												10,000 00		
Interest on loans		500 00						2 50			502 50	295 83	206 67	206 67
Town Hall		150 00									150 00	98 35	51 65	51 65
Tuberculosis Sanitarium		400 00									400 00	126 06	273 94	273 94
Standard Oil Co.												10 00		

Total Expenditure, $49,397 02

TOWN OF BOXFORD

Balance Sheet

December 30, 1922

ASSETS

C. M. Moulton, balance tax 1920	19 91	
C. M. Moulton, balance moth tax	2 00	
		21 91
C. M. Moulton, balance tax 1921	537 58	
C. M. Moulton, balance moth tax 1921	13 25	
C. M. Moulton, balance poll tax 1921	30 00	
		580 83
C. M. Moulton, balance tax 1922	3,407 12	
C. M. Moulton, balance moth tax 1922	260 11	
C. M. Moulton, balance poll tax 1922	158 00	
		3,825 23
Cash balance Dec. 30, 1922		3,982 40
		8,410 37

LIABILITIES

Overlay Reserve	517 74	
Overlay 1920	144 84	
Overlay 1921	151 24	
Overlay 1922	118 89	
		932 71
Excess and Deficiency		7,477 66
		8,410 37

Due the Town of Boxford

From Topsfield for tuition	225 00
From Middleton for fighting forest fires in May and June 1922	323 25

REPORT ON TRUST FUNDS

Cash and Securities

Warren Five Cents Savings Bank		$1,000 00	
Interest for 1922, $50.00 has been collected and paid Treasurer			
Haverhill Savings Bank	1,000 00		
Interest for 1922	50 62		
		1,050 62	
Essex Savings Bank		1,000 00	
Interest for 1922, $50.00 has been collected and paid Treasurer			
Lawrence Savings Bank	991 32		
Interest for 1922	50 18		
		1,041 50	
Danvers Savings Bank	142 33		
Interest for 1922	6 46		
	148 79		
Withdrawn for expenses	5 75		
		143 04	
			4,235 16

School Funds	4,092 12	
Killam and Curtis Cemetery Fund	143 04	
		4,235 16

SALE OF TOWN FARM ACCOUNT

Merchants Trust Co., Special			
Acc't Jan. 1, 1922	2,322 06		
Interest for 1922	215 00		
		2,537 06	
Lawrence Savings Bank			
Interest on U. S. Bonds 1922		890 62	
Redemption of U. S. bonds			
On deposit Merchants			
Trust Co.	18,750 00		
Interest to Jan. 1, 1933	5 33		
		18,755 33	
			22,183 01
Interest account, Jan. 1, 1922	2,259 29		
Interest U. S. bonds, 1922	890 62		
Interest on deposits	220 33		
		3,370 24	
Net proceeds from sale of town farm		18,812 77	
			22,183 01

REPORT OF TRUSTEES OF TOWN SCHOOL FUNDS FOR YEAR 1922

The Trustees would report that the funds remain deposited as formerly, viz,

$1,000 in Warren Five Cents Savings Bank.
1,050.62 in the Haverhill Savings Bank.
1,000 in the Essex Savings Bank, Lawrence.
1,041.50 in the Lawrence Savings Bank, Lawrence.

Interest from the Warren and the Essex Bank has been collected and paid to the Treasurer, amounting to $100.62 The interest due from the Haverhill and Lawrence Banks has been added to these respective accounts, and will be collected later.

Respectfully submitted,
WM. K. COLE,
WILLIAM B. HOWE,
JOHN W. PARKHURST.
Trustees

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 1922

BIRTHS

Date of Birth 1922		*Child's Name*	*Parent's Name*
Mar.	9	John Tenney Hills	Stanley Boyden Esther Louise (Tenney)
Jan.	29	Roy Melvin Feener	Frank R. Eva M. (Ingraham)
May	2	Albert Colby	Wilbur W. Cora (Larigne)
Sept.	9	Arthur Albert Emery, Jr.	Arthur Albert Bessie May (Vine)
Oct.	11	Ruth Elizabeth Adams	Merton Earle Evelyn (Peatfield)
Nov.	3	Helen Chadwick	John T., Jr. Ida (Corbin)
Dec.	1	———	——— ———
May	26	Marcella Adelaide Hebb	Robert Bass Clara Josephine (Carver)
June	6	———	——— ———

MARRIAGES

Date 1922		*Names*	*Residence*
June	3	Dana Franklin Killam Rachael Tyler Foster	Boxford North Andover
Oct.	16	Thomas L. Barker Florence Killam	Swampscott Boxford
Oct.	12	Winfred Valma Walker Katherine Veronica Johnson	Boxford (West) Haverhill
Dec.	1	Joseph Burgson Ruth Madeline Gemmell	Boxford (West) Boxford (West)

DEATHS

Date of Death			*Age*			
1922		*Name of Deceased*	*Y.*	*M.*	*D.*	*Place of Death*
Jan.	10	Mary Sawyer	66	10	13	Boxford
Feb.	21	Charles I. Andrew	34	10	17	Danvers
Feb.	23	George R. Clarke		6	26	Boxford
Feb.	15	Michael Berry	53			Tewkesbury
Mar.	12	Elbridge Perley	74	7	4	Boxford
Feb.	28	Ruth Mehitable (Pearl) Webster	85	5	7	Boxford
Mar.	1	Gilman P. Parker	82	7	10	Chelsea
Mar.	2	Sarah C. Hervey	83	10	12	Derry, N. H.
May	1	Samuel Peabody	71	7	12	Danvers
July	2	Charles A. Littlefield	65	9	5	Boxford
Jan.	18	Sophronia Holt	94	5	27	Stoneham
July	12	Walter L. Kimball	66	4	11	Manchester, N. H.
July	22	Margarett Augusta (Adams) Everett	70	2	21	Boxford
July	23	Harriett V. Killam	2	8	19	Lynn
Aug.	4	Lillian E. Walker	30	9	27	Boxford
Aug.	10	Maranda (Parker) Moulton	96	3	12	Boxford
Aug.	14	Annie Safford (Russell) Harris	49	11	21	Salem
Sept.	4	Freeman Forbes Dodge	29	8	19	Boxford
Oct.	16	Daniel W. Conant	91	1	23	Boxford
Nov.	18	Louisa S. Kimball	82	8	3	Boxford
Nov.	6	Helen Chadwick			3	Haverhill
Dec.	1	——— ———				Boxford
Dec.	28	Mary F. Perley	66	4	23	Manchester, N. H.
Dec.	12	Annie L. Cole	64	2	13	Haverhill

DOG LICENSES

Amount on hand Jan. 1, 1922		
5 males at $2.00	10 00	
4 females at $5.00	20 00	
		30 00
Whole number licensed in 1922, 111		
79 males at $2.00	158 00	
32 females at $5.00	160 00	
		318 00
		348 00
Clerk's fees 120 dogs at 20 cents	24 00	
Amount sent County Treasurer	324 00	
		348 00

HUNTING LICENSES

28 combination at $2.00	56 00	
12 Hunting and Trapping at $1.50	18 00	
1 Unnaturalized Fishing	2 00	
3 Minor's Trapping at 25 cents	75	
		76 75
44 fees at 15 cents	6 60	
Amount sent Division of Fisheries and Game	70 15	
		76 75

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. PARKHURST

Town Clerk

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER FOR 1922

Whole number of Dogs in both Parishes			120
Number of Male Dogs		79	
Number of Female Dogs		32	
Number recorded elsewhere		9	
			120
Number in First Parish :		60	
Number of Male Dogs	40		
Number of Female Dogs	20		
Number in Second Parish:		51	
Number of Male Dogs	39		
Number of Female Dogs	12		
Collected by Dog officer in all			256 00
Collected by Town Clerk in all			62 00
Total amount			318 00

Largest number of dogs at any one place 8. Next was 7 then 5 and several kept two dogs or more. There has been 10 complaints made to me and all have been attended to.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID MIGHILL,

Dog Officer.

Boxford, Mass., Dec. 31, 1922

LIST OF JURORS

Following is a list of jurors for the year 1922.

George E. Carver, Lake Shore Road, West Boxford, Farmer.
Arthur Fowler, Washington St., West Boxford, Carpenter.
Harold E. Mooers, Main St., West Boxford, Teamster.
Simeon S. Pearl, Lake Shore Road, West Boxford, Farmer.
Thomas O'Brien, Brook Road, West Boxford, Laborer.
David A. Anderson, Brook Road, West Boxford, Farmer.
Paul L. Killam, Killam Hill Road, Boxford, Farmer.
Robert B. Parkhurst, Fordway Road, Boxford, Poultryman.
Joseph B. Matthews, Lawrence Road, Boxford, Farmer.
Walter W. French, Haverhill Road, Boxford, Teamster.
George A. Gould, Topsfield Road, Boxford, Laborer.
Clarence E. Brown, Main St., Boxford, Ice-dealer.

CHARLES PERLEY,
HARRY L. COLE,
CLINTON B. NASON,
J. W. PARKHURST.

Registrars of Boxford, Mass.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1922

TOPSFIELD, MASS.
THE PERKINS PRESS
1923

SCHOOL OFFICIALS

School Committee

EDWARD D. DISBROW, *Chairman* — Term expires 1923
West Boxford.

CHESTER KILLAM, *Secretary* — Term expires 1924
East Boxford

DIMON LOCKWOOD — Term expires 1925
Topsfield

Superintendent of Schools

RALPH R. BARR
North Wilmington

Attendance Officer

FRANK A. MANNY
Boxford

School Physician

DR. RAYMOND R. ROOT
Georgetown

School Nurse

MRS. ESTHER NICHOLES
Wilmington

LIST OF TEACHERS FOR 1922-1923

School	*Grade*	*Teachers*	*Where Educated*	*Appointment*	*Salary*
Palmer	1—8	Ada Clapp	Worcester Normal	1920	$1,200 00
	1—8	Lucy A. Hill	Malden High	1922	900 00
Wood	1—8	Alice Riggs	Danvers High	1923	800 00
Morse Grammar	6—8	Laura J. Clarke	Tilton Seminary	1923	1,200 00
Morse Primary	1—5	Catherine McInnes	Salem Normal	1913	1,200 00
		SUPERVISORS			
		of Music			
		Mary N. Cleaveland	N. E. Conservatory	1894	275 00
		of Drawing			
		Blanche H. Curry	Mass. Normal Arts.	1921	250 00

SCHOOL CALENDAR

First Term. Jan. 2—Feb. 23, Eight Weeks.

Recess, Feb. 26—Mar. 2

Second Term March 5—Apr. 27, Eight Weeks.

Recess, Apr. 30—May 4

Third Term. May 7—June 15.

Fall Term. Sept. 4—Dec. 21

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Feb. 22, Apr. 19, May 30, Oct. 12, Thanksgiving Recess, Nov. 29 - 30.

RULES

SCHOOL ADMISSION

No child will be admitted to the first grade who has not attained the age of five years the date of opening school in September. Pupils are admitted to this grade only at the beginning of the year, unless they have attended school in some other town.

COMPLIANCE WITH VACCINATION LAW

No child will be admitted to any grade who has not complied with the law relative to vaccination. This means that he shall furnish a certificate of vaccination signed by a regular practicing physician or a certificate of exemption with diagnosis signed by a regular practicing physician. If the latter is furnished it will be held valid only during the school year in which it is first presented. It is suggested that parents of children who have not been vaccinated attend to it in August or in the early part of September.

DISCHARGE CARDS

A pupil desiring admission to school, unless he wish admission to the first grade in September, should bring a discharge card from the school previously attended.

A pupil removing from town should obtain a discharge card on the days of his last attendance.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Boxford:

It is with appreciation of service rendered, that your School Committee would direct your attention to the satisfactory results which have rewarded the efforts of our Superintendent Ralph R. Barr, and the able corps of teachers conducting our schools. The schools have been run with a maximum of efficiency and a minimum of friction. Discipline has been maintained and a high standard of instruction offered.

Important improvements in school buildings and equipment, may be noted in the painting both inside and out of the Morse Grammar School. The Palmer School was much in need of a new ceiling, interior painting and additional space for the storage of fuel. At moderate cost the Committee had the woodshed moved from the Day School to convenient location on the Palmer School grounds, this has provided the Palmer School with fuel storage space and conveniences which have been much needed. As the number of grades in the Palmer School made necessary the employment of two teachers, it seemed advisable to partition with movable screens the large classroom, this has been accomplished in a most satisfactory way. A new ceiling, interior painting and some minor changes and repairs have assisted in making the school comfortable and attractive.

The Committee would at this time acknowledge a service which Mr. Lewis K. Morse has rendered, in loaning a portion of his field adjoining the Palmer School, to be used as a playground by the scholars. This courtesy is much appreciated by the Committee.

Education in life plays a most important part, but to realize its benefits in full good health is necessary. It is not right that children attending school should divert much of their strength

to combat disease. There are many ills of the body, which if corrected in time loose their dangerous character. Sick pupils are unsatisfactory, not only do they themselves drag in their school work, but they are a menace to the health of the entire school. Without detailing the health work in our schools, we would urge that you read the Report of our School Nurse and co-operate with her in improving and maintaining the health of our scholars.

Under our system of Town accounts, it is necessary that the Committee submit for your consideration a sum which they have every reason to believe will cover their entire expenditures for the ensuing fiscal year. The sum of money voted by the Town for the use of the School Committee is gross, any sums that may be refunded by the State, or paid by another town are not available for school expenses. In past years charges for high school and other tuition have been moderate or there have not been any, to-day with higher costs each town is careful to see that they receive what it is costing them to render the service performed, in consequence it will cost the Town of Boxford about $5,408.00 for high school tuition in Danvers and North Andover during the next fiscal year.

School transportation routes have been extended, and when possible all routes are served by auto barges. Both routes are now insured as to liability, for the benefit and protection of all concerned.

Respectfully submitted,

EDWARD D. DISBROW,
DIMON LOCKWOOD,
CHESTER KILLAM.

School Committee.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

North Wilmington, Mass., January 15, 1923.

To the School Committee of Boxford:

Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit herewith my second annual report as your superintendent of schools.

There are 84 pupils in the town, distributed as follows:

Morse School	47
Palmer	28
Wood	9
	84

During the spring and early summer, the resignations of Miss Sanborn, Miss Perley, and Miss Clapp were received.—Miss Sanborn to enter junior high school work in Cohasset, Miss Perley to study in Europe and Miss Clapp because she found it impossible to do satisfactory work under the conditions then existing in the Palmer school. In no case, was the resignation caused by dissatisfaction with our salary schedule. By the promise of improved conditions in the Palmer school, Miss Clapp was induced to reconsider and to return for another year. In conformity to this agreement, the Palmer school was thoroughly repaired and remodeled for two teachers. Miss Hill was engaged as an assistant and the work divided on a departmental plan between Miss Clapp and Miss Hill. Although unique in many ways, the result has been entirely successful.

Considerable difficulty has been encountered in satisfactorily filling the other positions but with Mrs. Clarke in charge of the Morse and Miss Riggs at the Wood school the outlook seems bright for a successful year.

The work of the two supervisors should be mentioned, Mrs. Curry is giving the pupils excellent instruction in drawing and

the work of Miss Cleaveland is well known to the community. The work of these two supervisors is far superior to that in the great majority of towns and they deserve considerable praise for their faithful work especially in view of the difficulty in travelling from one school to another.

It is to be regretted that no action has been taken in regard to the consolidation of the Wood and Palmer schools. Disregarding the sentiment and tradition that tends to becloud this matter, we may say that we have two small schools (the Wood school has only nine pupils and two of these come from Topsfield) located only a relatively short distance apart and on opposite sides of the same village. With the Palmer in successful operation, with two good teachers, with ample room for all the pupils from the Wood school and with all the obvious benefits to the pupils and the certain economies in maintenance and administration that would result from the union of these two schools, there remains only one good argument against it and that is the difficulty in obtaining proper transportation for the pupils of the Wood school.

The following paragraph from the report of last year sums up the present situation:

"Arguments for consolidation are undebatable provided that suitable transportation is furnished. In the absence of adequate transportation, one can well sympathize with the parent who chooses the lesser of two evils, preferring to send his children to the obsolete ungraded school rather than subjecting his children to walking distances that are beyond the physical capacity of most children to endure. Our first problem is then the problem of transportation. After considerable investigation, I am fully convinced that adequate transportation can be furnished without much additional expense."

In spite of the optimism of last year, the problem still remains; all efforts to secure adequate transportation have been futile. Until proper transportation facilities can be procured, it would seem unwise to urge a union of the two schools, although the present arrangement is admittedly unsatisfactory from an educational point of view and unquestionably it is expensive.

The work of Mrs. Nichols, the school nurse, has been very satisfactory. She is conscientious and enthusiastic and already the results of her efforts and instruction have become clearly evident. Her report shows that the nature of her work, the objects sought, and something of her methods.

No report of the year would be complete without some mention of the extensive program of repairs and improvements that has been completed. The Morse school has been thoroughly renovated and both the interior and exterior painted. At the Palmer, a proper place for storing the fuel and supplies has been found and the interior painted, remodeled and put in excellent condition with some new flooring and a new ceiling. A partition has been constructed that can be adapted to classes of varying size and which has transformed the building into a very serviceable and attractive two room school.

It is most gratifying to report a year of substantial progress and growth. Attendance has been maintained at the usual high standard, and scholarship has continued to show steady improvement. Some work has been done in the development of a uniform course of study. The basic text books are now partially standardized. When this is done and the course of study completed, the work in each building and grade may be compared with the work in any corresponding grade. It should then be possible to give each teacher, reasonable latitude for individual initiative, and at the same time, insure for each pupil essentially the same training. It should be possible for a pupil to go from one school to another and find practically the same work, or for a substitute to take up the work in any room knowing exactly what is to be done.

It is necessary to call attention to the large and increasing number of high school students because the tuition and transportation costs for these pupils form such a large part of the school budget. The re-embursement from the state on this account is liberal, but going directly to the town, it in no way diminishes the school budget. This expense should be welcomed and pupils should be encouraged to continue their education

but it is necessary to keep this very large item in mind when considering the school appropriation for many mistakenly suppose that the entire appropriation is expended in the support of the local schools. Actually, the tax payers of Boxford are doing at least their fair share in supporting the high schools at North Andover and Danvers.

In conclusion, it is appropriate to express a hope that a satisfactory solution of our transportation problems may be found, especially because of the economies and benefits that could easily follow, to express the gratitude of the teachers and pupils to that public spirited citizen who contributed the use of his land for a play ground at the Palmer school and to express my own appreciation for the co-operation and faithful work of our teachers and to the committee for their efficient help and encouragement.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH R. BARR

Superintendent of Schools

NURSE'S REPORT

To Mr. Ralph Barr, Superintendent of Schools, Boxford, Mass.

Dear Sir: I herewith submit the following report as school nurse for the months November and December.

My aim in school nursing is to help the children cultivate health habits, assist the school physician in the physical examinations and seek through co-operation with the parents to correct any physical defects found.

A series of health talks have been started. The topics of those given thus far are as follows:

I. The necessity of brushing the teeth at least twice a day. This talk revealed the fact that many of the children were in need of a tooth brush (Starkey & Touer). These were obtained from Starkey & Touer, Inc., Portland, Me., and sold to the children for five cents. The number of children brushing their teeth regularly is steadily increasing.

II. Keep all unclean things out of the mouth *i. e.* everything but food and drink. Since this health rule has been practised there has been a decided drop in the number of children who chew pencils, rulers, finger nails, etc., but we look for even a greater drop. Much credit is due the teachers for their splendid help in constantly reminding the children.

III. (a) The importance of eating the right kind of food. (b) The special value of milk and vegetables. If the parents will co-operate with the school nurse and encourage drinking milk, eating vegetables and all wholesome food the result will be healthier, happier children and better citizens in years to come.

IV. Sleeping with open windows. Many people do not think this is very important but school children as a rule are anxious to be strong and healthy and therefore are willing to at least try it. We know if this habit is once established there is little doubt that they will always sleep with windows open.

V. The care of hands and nails, especially washing hands before eating. This can be done more efficiently when every school is supplied with running water and it will have more practical effect when the sanitary conditions in the schools are improved.

The talks are not only given once but they are reviewed time and time again, the children reporting each time the nurse comes how many of the health rules have been practised faithfully. Some of the teachers have the children report to them each morning. This is a great help.

The children have been weighed and measured and as many are underweight they will be weighed each month. This will help to keep them interested to work toward the normal weight mark.

Dr. Root has completed the physical examinations and notices of the defects have been sent to the parents. Three home visits have been made in regard to these defects and two children have had their tonsils removed.

Physical training in a very simple form has been taken up in two of the schools. It is the intention to take it up in the third school as soon as possible and to work it up to something worth while and beneficial.

In closing I wish to thank the Superintendent and the teachers for their co-operation and friendly interest in the work.

Respectfully submitted,

ESTHER H. NICHOLS, R. N.

School Nurse.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF DRAWING

To Mr. R. R. Barr, Superintendent of Schools, Boxford, Mass.

Dear Sir: I have the honor to submit my second annual report as supervisor of drawing in the town of Boxford.

The little children have been doing work in paper cutting, representation of objects by use of squares and various other devices, proper use of crayons, work in connection with holidays, and some costume design.

The older children, in the fall, did some very creditable nature work with crayons. They have also done work in connection with holidays, made posters, studied design, perspective, and some work in connection with household furnishings.

The work has been pleasant and I have had a very enjoyable year with the children. I wish to thank the superintendent and teachers for their co-operation with me in my work.

Respectfully submitted,

BLANCHE MILLARD CURRY,

Supervisor of Drawing.

REPORT OF SUPERVISOR OF MUSIC

To the Superintendent and the School Committee of the Town of Boxford:

In reply to your request the following report is submitted.

The work in music in the public schools the past year has been carried on with the use of the New Educational Music Course as the basis of material, supplemented by the Hollis Dana Course.

In each school the class in singing is divided into two groups. Usually Grades I, II and III form the first, or Primary group, but occasionally one finds in Grade III one or more children who are capable of doing work with the advanced group therefore such children are allowed to join the upper grade group during the music period.

The work with the Primary Group is mostly confined to note singing, interval work and the beginning of notation or music reading. In the upper grades a serious study of the keys is made both major and minor, including written scale work, dictation and original exercises, also the time signatures, rhythm, phrasing and interpretation.

One of our Educators has said:—"There are seven things a music pupil must do. There will be first, notation of pitch, second, notations of metres and relative duration, third, the notation of the marks for interpretation, fourth, the ability to form a tonal imagery from these various forms of notation, fifth, ability to vocally express the tonal image that is formed, sixth, the adequate expression in a tone of good quality, seventh the intelligent enunciation of the words, so that both words and music are understood.

All of these contribute to the final result which is effective reading at sight."

From the first grade on we make it customary to sing exercises, phrases and sometimes the entire song as an individual recitation, thus developing the confidence of the child in his ability to sing.

The majority of pupils in our town show a decided interest in the study of music and there are quite a number of pupils who show marked talent.

During the coming year with the use of the Victrola we are hoping to start some classes in music appreciation.

I wish to thank the superintendent and School Committee for their continued interest in this department and the teachers for their efficient work, which is performed daily.

Respectfully submitted,

MARY N. CLEAVELAND

Supervisor of Music

GRADUATION EXERCISES

BOXFORD GRAMMAR SCHOOLS

THURSDAY EVENING, JUNE FIFTEEN

LINCOLN HALL, WEST BOXFORD

PROGRAM

1 Opening March

MISS SANBORN

2 Invocation

REV. EMERY L. BRADFORD

3 Essay

RUSSELL COLBY

4 Cantata, "A Garden of Singing Flowers"

CHARACTERS REPRESENTED

Rose

DOROTHY COLE

Daisies

DELIA BARNEY, GLADYS LYON

Sunflower

BERTHA CARLTON

Buttercup

EVELYN MOOERS

Lily

MARY BUDNICK

Pansy

PRESTON TITUS

Tulip

GEORGE BONVIE

Gardener

ERNEST MORTIMER

Man-in-the-moon

ROBERT COLE

Pianist

GLADYS NASON

5 Address

FRANK A. MANNY

6 Presentation of Diplomas

SUPT. BARR

7 America

ALL

8 Benediction

REV. EDWARD D. DISBROW

GRADUATES

PALMER SCHOOL

Ernest Milton Mortimer
Preston Irving Titus

MORSE SCHOOL

Louise Ethel Auger
Mary Budnick
Morris Budnick
Bertha May Carleton
Russell Ellsworth Colby
Robert Weston Cole
Dorothy Eliza Cole
James O. Killam
Gladys Ethel Lyon
Michael Leo McLaughlin
Evelyn Virginia Mooers
Beulah W. Nason
Gladys Ingle Nason
Catherine Elizabeth Regan
May Isabella Sellers
James Henry Webster

WOOD SCHOOL

Delia Barney
George Robert Bonvie

HIGH SCHOOL ATTENDANCE

Topsfield High School	2
Danvers High School	8
Johnson High School, North Andover	26
Punchard, Andover	1
Total	37

BY CLASSES

Senior

Alvira C. Benson
Ruth E. Chadwick
George F. Gemmell
Lawson W. Waitt

Junior

Jeannette Auger
Lilienne Auger
George Killam
Sarah A. Cheeney
Gardner W. Starrett

Sophomore

John A. Andrew, Jr.
Charlotte Austin
Ruth Bonvie
Ernest W. Foster
Eleanor Ingalls
Blanche H. Brown
Priscilla Austin
Charles Doucette
Helen L. Gillis
Gilbert W. Mooers

Freshman

Louise E. Auger
Mary Budnick
Bertha M. Carleton
Dorothy E. Cole
James O. Killam
Ernest M. Mortimer
Beulah W. Nason
May I. Sellers
George R. Bonvie
Morris Budnick
Russell E. Colby
Robert W. Cole
Gladys E. Lyon
Evelyn V. Mooers
Gladys I. Nason
Preston I. Titus
James H. Webster

MORSE GRAMMAR SCHOOL

Total number of pupils 19

Names of pupils having perfect attendance.

Harriet Benson
Lawrence Colby
Richard Pearl
Eva Salois

Grade	*Age*						
	11	12	13	14	15	16	Total
6th	1	3	1				5
7th		3	3				6
8th		1	3	2	1	1	8
							19

HONOR ROLL

Harriett Benson
Richard Chadwick
Lawrence Colby
Eva Salois
Ida Budnick
Walter Chruzzle
Evelyn Gilson
Norman Cole

MORSE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Total membership by age and grade

Grade	*Age*								*Total*
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
I	1	4	2						7
II		4	2						6
III			2	4	1			1	8
IV				1	2				3
V					2	2			4
	1	8	6	5	5	2		1	28

ROLL OF HONOR

Sept. 5, 1922–Dec. 22, 1922

For two terms

Shirley Pearl

For one term

Francoise Auger
Juliette Auger
Doris Cole
Elizabeth Cole
Virginia Foster
Dorothy Spofford
Richard Spofford

For five terms

Harriett Benson

PALMER SCHOOL

Grade	*Age*												*Total*
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	
I	1	2											3
II			3	3		1							7
III				2	1								3
IV				2	2	1	1						6
V						4	1						5
VI													0
VII													0
VIII								1		2	1		4
	1	2	3	7	3	6	2	1		2	1		28

PERFECT ATTENDANCE

Sept. 1, 1922–Jan. 1, 1923

Esther Mortimer	Grade VIII
Marjorie Perley	Grade V
Elizabeth Sheldon	Grade IV
Ethel Mortimer	Grade IV
Frank Titus	Grade III
Chester Tansey	Grade I
Clinton French	Grade VIII

(dismissed 3 times during the four months)

Esther Mortimer (perfect attendance from Sept. 1, 1921–Jan. 1, 1923)

AARON WOOD SCHOOL

Grade	*Age*									*Total*
Boys	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	
III			1	1						2
VII									1	1
Girls										
I	1									1
V				1		2				3
VII								1		1
VIII									1	1

Sept.–Dec. 1922

PER CENT OF ATTENDANCE

September	95.45
October	93.
November	98.24
December	97.78

Mildred Bonvie has had perfect attendance

BOOKS ADDED TO BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY IN 1922

Abbot, John S. C. History of Napoleon III ..... B N16a
Allen, Nellie B. New Europe ..... j 914 A
Andrews, Mary R. S. His soul goes marching on An26h
Ashmun, Margaret Marian Frear's summer jAs5m
Air service medical manual 610-M
Baker, George P. Pilgrim spirit 822-Blp
Brooks, Charles S. Hints to pilgrims 824-B7h
Brainerd, Eleanor H. In vanity fair 914.4-B3
Bennett, Arnold Mr. Prohack B420m
Burnett, Frances H. Head of the house of Coombe B93he
" " Robin B93r
Brown, Helen D. Her sixteenth year jB85h
Benson, E. F. Our family affairs B-B43
Bacheller, Irving In the days of Poor Richard B12i
Brooks, C. Harry Practice of auto-suggestion 150-B6
Beers, Clifford W. Mind that found itself B-B42
Bassett, Sara W. Granite and clay B30g
Bailey, L. H. ed. Cyclopedia of American agriculture 630-Blc
Curtis, Alice T. Little maid of Maine jC90lm
Colum, Padriac Children's Homer j883-C43
Coggin, William S. Discourse delivered May 25, 1863 ..... 252-C4
Champion, Jessie Ella keeps house C37e
Carpenter, Frank G. Around the world with the children. j910-C16
Carrington, Hereward Boy's book of magic j791-C
Curwood, James O. Country beyond C945c
Cartwright, Julia Beatrice D'Este Duchess of Milan 920-Ca5
Clark, Geo. R. et. al. Short history of the U. S. Navy 973-C4
Coolidge, Archibald United States as a world power 973-C5
Diver, Maud Far to seek D65f
Davis, Wm. S. History of France 944-D

Duane, James T. Dear old "K" 940.9-D90
Deland, Margaret Vehement flame D37v
Emerson, Wm. R. P. Nutrition and growth in children 613-E
Flandrau, Charles M. Viva Mexico F61v
Finley, William and Irene Little Bird Blue jF511
Farnol, Jeffery Martin Conisby's vengeance F20m
Fabre, Jean Henri Secret of everyday things j504-F
Fordyce, Claude P. Trail craft 796-F7
French, Joseph L. Great sea stories F87g
Forbes, Anita P. Modern verse British and American 821.08-F4
Froissart, Sir John Chronicles of England, France and Spain j940-F5r
Fassett, James H. Beacon introductory second reader
Garland, Hamlin Daughter of the Middle Border B-G12d
Gregg, Frank M. Founding of a nation jG60
Gray, Zane To the last man G88t
Gracie, Archibald Truth about the Titanic 910-G4t
Howe, Frederic C. Denmark 948-H
Hawes, Charles B. Great quest H29
" " Mutineers H29m
Herford, Oliver Herford Aesop jA1h
House, Homer Wild flowers of New York 580-H2
Hopkins, Wm. S. Sandman, his sea stories jH53
" " Sandman, his ship stories jH53s
Hicks, Mali Craft of handmade rugs 745-H
Harrison, Marguerite E. Marooned in Moscow 947-H3m
Harrison, Henry Sydnor Saint Teresa H24s
Hornaday, Wm. T. Minds and manners of wild animals 540-H7m
Holt, Emmet L. Care and feeding of children 613-H6c
Hopkins, Wm. S. She blows! And sparm at that H74s
Henshaw, Nevil Inheritance of Jean Trouve H41
Hutchinson, A. S. M. This freedom H90t
Higginson, Thomas W. Letters and journals B-H531
Hill, Mabel & Davis Philip Civics for new Americans 352-H3

Hyde, Wm. De W. H. Gospel of good will.....251-H9
Jackson, Josephine A. and Salisbury Helen M. Out-
witting our nerves.....131-J
Lansing, Marion F. comp. ed. Fairy tales 2 vols.....j3981
Lane, Martha K. ed. Arabian nights entertainments.....jAr11
London, Jack Brown wolf and other stories.....jL84b
Leacock, Stephen Literary lapses.....L50
Lawrence, Robert M. Old Park Street and its vicinity.....974-L
Longfellow, Ernest W. Random memories.....B-L85
Luther, Martin Life and letters.....B-L96
Lindsay, Vachel Congo and other poems.....821-L7c
" " Gen. William Booth enters heaven.....821-L7
Longstreth, T. Morris Laurentians.....917.1-L
Lewis, E. St. Elmo Getting the most out of business.....658-L
Martyn, Charles Life of Artemas Ward.....B-W24m
Munro, Wm. B. Government of European cities.....352-M8
Martin, Charles F. At West Point.....448-M2
McClung, Nellie Purple springs.....M41p
Marshall, Archibald Peter Binney.....M34P
Mayo, Katherine Mounted justice.....M47m
Macbeth, R. G. Policing the plains.....917.1-M2p
Marshall, Edison Skyline of spruce.....M35
Marvin, F. S. Living past.....901-M
Milne, A. A. Red house mystery.....M64r
McCloskey, Margaret O. McCloskey primer
Nutting, Wm. W. Track of Typhoon.....910-N9t
Orton, Helen F. Prince and Rover at Cloverfield Farm.....jOr6
Oemler, Marie C. Where the young child was.....Oe6wh
Ordway, Edith B. Etiquette of today.....395-Or
Pyle, Katherine Tale of two bunnies.....jP98t
Peters L. H. Diet and health with key to the calories...613-P5d
Powell, E. Alexander Where the strange trails go down..991-P
Parker, Cornelia S. Working with the working
woman.....331-P6w
Parker, Cornelia S. American idyll.....B-P22p
Palmer, Frederic My year of the Great War.....940.9-P2m

Perley, Sidney Service under the covenant.....239-P
Piper, Charles V. Forage plants and their culture.....630-P6f
Powell, G. Harold Co-operation in agriculture.....630-P8c
Rinehart, Mary R. More Tish.....R48m
" " Breaking point.....R48b
Robinson, Corinne R. My brother, Theodore Roosevelt.....B-R75ro
Rollins, Phillip A. Cowboy.....917-R7c
Roberts, Kenneth L. Why Europe leaves home.....325-R6w
Richardson, Wm. L. Literature of the world.....805-R
Robinson, Wm. J. Forging the sword.....940.9-R73
Sneath, E. H. Philosophy in poetry.....820-Sn
Smith, Elva S. Heroines of history and legend.....j808-Sm7h
Seawell, Molly E. Ladies' battle.....324-Se4
Strachey, Lytton Eminent Victorians.....920-St5
Spyri, Johanna Story of Rico.....jSp5st
Speransky, Julia C. My life here and there.....B-Sp6
Stoddard, Lothrop Revolt against civilization.....309-S86
Scoville, Samuel, Jr. Wild folk.....500-Sc6
Sheppard, H. C. Psychology made practical.....150-Sh6
Struly, Ewer My three years at Andover.....jB-St9
Sabatini, Raphael Captain Blood.....Sa12c
Treves, Sir Frederick Cradle of the deep.....910-T8
Train, Arthur By advice of counsel.....T69b
Terhune, Anice Eyes of the village.....T285e
Terhune, Albert P. His dog.....T28h
Tarkington, Booth Gentle Julia.....T17g
Tyson, J. Aubrey Scarlet tanager.....T90s
Thomas, George C., Jr. Practical book of outdoor rose growing.....716-T4
Tyau, M. T. Z. China's new constitution and international problems.....915.1-T9
Uuderwood, Wm. L. Wild brother.....Un3w
Van Loon, Hendrick Story of mankind.....909-V
Weed, Howard E. Modern park cemeteries.....710-W
Wharton, Edith Glimpses of the moon.....W35g

Wendell, Barrett Traditions of European literature.....809-W3
Wells, H. G. Secret places of the heart.....W48s
Widdemer, Margaret Year of Delight.....W62y
" " Minister of grace.....W62m
Young, E. F. & Field, W. T. Young and Field literary readers 3 vols.....j820-Y

CORRECTION—COLLECTOR'S REPORT

The moth tax committed to Collector for 1922 is $359.20 instead of $553.10 and balance due is $66.21 instead of $260.11.

SUGGESTED BUDGET

For the various town officers such sums as shall pay the annual charges for 1922 as these are presented at the annual meeting, and the following sums are suggested as probably sufficient to the year 1923.

Accountant		200 00
Sealer of Weights and Measures		25 00
Forest Warden		500 00
Tree Warden		100 00
Police		150 00
Dog Officer		50 00
Health and Sanitation		500 00
Street lighting		750 00
Charities		2,000 00
State Aid		125 00
Soldiers' relief		200 00
Memorial Day		75 00
Interest on loans		400 00
Bald Hill Road		50 00
Gypsy & Brown tail Moth		1,000 00
Town Hall		150 00
For the schools as submitted by the school committee		
High school pupils, 40 at $135.20 each		5,408 00
Teachers, 3 at 1,200 each	3,600 00	
1 at	900 00	
1 at	800 00	5,300 00
Supervisors of Drawing & Music		525 00
School Nurse		330 00
Superintendent		700 00
Amount carried forward,		*12,263 00*

Amount brought forward,		*12,263 00*	
Janitorship		280 00	
Doctor		35 00	
Attendance officer		10 00	
Transportation in town			
West Boxford	680 00		
East Boxford	570 00		
Insurance	200 00	1,450 00	
Books and stationery		200 00	
Janitor's supplies		70 00	
Repairs		300 00	
Office expenses		10 00	
Sundries		582 00	
			15,200 00

In respect to the roads the Board of Selectmen wish to leave the amount of appropriation to the discussion and decision of the voters of the town, strongly urging that the town co-operate with the state and county according to the provisions of the state law.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS.

ESSEX, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Boxford in said County.

GREETING:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in Lincoln Hall, West Boxford, on Monday the fifth day of March next, at nine and one-half o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose a Moderator to preside at said meeting.

Art. 2. To choose all necessary Town Officers for the ensuing year.

Art. 3. To choose a member of the School Committee for the term of three years.

Art. 4. To hear and act on reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Art. 5. To receive and act on the report of the Town Accountant.

Art. 6. To take such action as may be deemed best relative to compensation of Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.

Art. 7. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the several departments for the current year, to wit: Schools, Schoolhouses, Highways and bridges, Charities, Health department, Soldiers' relief, Street lighting, Moth Suppression, State aid, Memorial day, Forest warden, Town hall, Election expenses, Reserve fund, Interest on temporary loans, Sealer of weights and measures, Town Accountant, Clerk's department, Registrars, Overseers of the Poor, Assessors, Collector, Treasurer, Selectmen, and all other necessary and proper expenses arising during said year.

Art. 8. To see what action the Town will take in regard to unexpended appropriations.

Art. 9. To see what action the Town will take as to the recommendations of the Selectmen.

Art. 10. To see what compensation the Town will pay for labor in the several departments for the ensuing year.

Art. 11. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for repairs on "Bald Hill" Road.

Art. 12. To appropriate money that may be refunded on account of dog licenses, to libraries or schools.

Art. 13. To allow bills of charge and raise and appropriate money for paying same.

Art. 14. Shall licenses be granted for the sale of certain non-intoxicating beverages in this town?

Art. 15. To take action in regard to supplying fuel for the schools.

Art. 16. To take such action as may be deemed best in regard to making roads passable when encumbered with snow.

Art. 17. To determine when the taxes shall be committed to the Collector, also the manner of collecting the same.

Art. 18. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the current year.

Art. 19. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to be used in the care and maintenance of the grounds around the Town Hall, or take any action in the matter.

Art. 20. To see if the town will vote to make use of any portion of the Principal or Interest of the "Town Farm Fund" for Public Libraries, or take any action in the matter.

Art. 21. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for renovating and renewing the guide posts at the various corners of the highways of the town.

Art. 22. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for repairs on the Cleaveland-Titus road.

Art. 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting houses in said town, fourteen days at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof, fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Boxford, this third day of February, in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-three.

CHARLES PERLEY
HARRY L. COLE
CLINTON B. NASON
Selectmen of Boxford, Mass.

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TOWN OF BOXFORD

TOGETHER WITH THE

Report of the School Committee and the

Various Town Officers

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923

The Perkins Press, Topsfield, Mass.

TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1923

MODERATOR
William K. Cole

TOWN CLERK
John W. Parkhurst· Three years.

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK
Amy G. Parkhurst

SELECTMEN
Harry L. Cole Charles Perley, Joseph B. Matthews

ASSESSORS OF TAXES
Charles F. Austin, One Year.
Harry L. Cole, Two Years
Charles Perley, Three Years

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR
Selectmen

TREASURER
William K. Cole

COLLECTOR OF TAXES
Charles M. Moulton

TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Emery L. Bradford

CONSTABLES

David Mighill
Frank H. Spofford

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS

Raymond Perley
David A. Anderson

FIELD DRIVERS

Selectmen

TREE WARDEN

Clarence E. Brown

DEPUTY TREE WARDEN

Simeon S. Pearl

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

George A. Gould
Alfred K. Nason
Chester Killam
Harry L. Cole

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

Clarence E. Brown
Harry L. Cole
Charles H. Chaplain
Myron E. Killam

FENCE VIEWERS

Selectmen

BOARD OF HEALTH

Charles Perley, One year.
Alice P. Austin, Two years.
William K. Cole, Three years

FOREST WARDEN

Clarence E. Brown

DEPUTY FOREST WARDENS FOR 1923

Dimon Lockwood
Chester Killam
William K. Cole
Robert Parkhurst
Raymond Perley
Simeon Pearl

SPECIAL POLICE FOR 1923

Cyrus E. Killam

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

George B. Parkhurst

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William J. Greenler, D. V. M.

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTER

A. L. Whittier

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Charles Perley

MOWING TOWN LAWNS

Joe Sheldon

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Chester Killam, one year
Dimon Lockwood, two years
Rev. Edward D. Disbrow, three years, resigned
Simeon S. Pearl, to fill vacancy

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

William K. Cole, William B. Howe, John W. Parkhurst

DOG OFFICER

David Mighill

ASSESSORS' REPORT

$22.00 on $1000.00

Report of the Asesssors for the year ending Dec. 31, 1923.

VALUATION, APRIL 1, 1923

Real estate, land	$380,510 00
Real estate, buildings	489,743 00
Personal estate	175,091 00
	$1,045,344 00

STATISTICS

Number of polls assessed	219
Number of persons assessed polls only	69
Number of residents assessed on property	237
Number of non-residents assessed on property	190
Corporations and others (resident and non-resident)	26
Number of dwellings	284
Number of acres of land	14,269
Number of horses	153
Number of cows	374
Number of neat cattle	70
Number of sheep	71
Number of swine	12
Number of fowl	6,269
Value of fowl	$9,433 00

TAX STATISTICS

Rate on $1000.00, $22 00 Polls $5.00 each.

APPROPRIATIONS OF MARCH 5, 1923

Selectmen	$255 00
Overseers	22 00
Assessors	225 00
Treasurer	100 00
Clerk	175 00
Collector	175 00
Accountant	200 00
Registrars	63 50
Sealer of Weights & Measures	25 00
Police	204 25
Dog officer	50 00
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth	1000 00
Forest Warden	500 00
Tree Warden	100 00
Health and Sanitation	527 00
Charities	2000 00
State Aid	125 00
Soldiers' Relief	200 00
Town Reports	146 90
Tuberculosis Sanatorium	254 12
Danvers Fire Department	50 00
Memorial Day	125 00
Interest on loans	400 00
Town Hall	150 00
Town Hall Grounds	75 00
Schools	15,000 00
Highways:—	
General maintenance	
East Parish	912 50
West Parish	912 50

Bridges and incidentals	175 00
Washington Street	1,000 00
Killam Hill	1,200 00
Bald Hill Road	50 00
Titus Road	25 00
Street Signs	250 00
Street Lighting	750 00
Total Appropriation	$27,422 77
State Tax	2177 99
County Tax	2,043 74
Overlay	646 06
Moth tax	174 88
Poll tax	1,095 00
	33,560 44
Estimated recipts	9292 57
	24,267 87
December commitment	26 40
Total tax committed to the collector for 1923	24,294 27

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand, Jan. 1, 1923		$3,982 40
Received from C. M. Moulton		
Tax 1920	5 05	
Tax 1921	475 49	
Tax 1922	3,190 95	
Tax 1923	20,641 01	
		24,312 50
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for details see Accountant's Report		13,979 36
County of Essex, for details see Accountant's Report		2,423 97
Miscellaneous, for details see the Accountant's Report		1,715 92
Revenue loan		17,000 00
		63,414 15

PAYMENTS

Treasury Warrants issued by Town Accountant and approved by Selectmen, for details see Accountant's Report	$63,219 28
Cash on hand, December 31, 1923	194 87
	$63,414 15

WILLIAM K. COLE
Treasurer.

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Balance of 1920 tax uncollected Jan. 1, 1923		19 91	
Collected and paid Treasurer		5 05	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1923		———	14 86
Balance of 1920 Moth tax uncollected Jan 1, 1923		2 00	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1923		———	2 00
Balance of 1921 tax uncollected Jan. 1, 1923		537 58	
Collected and paid Treasurer		471 94	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1923		———	65 64
Balance of 1921 Moth tax uncollected Jan 1, 1923		13 25	
Collected and paid Treasurer		3 55	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1923		———	9 70
Balance of 1922 tax uncollected Jan. 1, 1923		3,407 12	
Collected and paid Treasurer		3,132 29	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1923		———	274 83
Balance of 1922 Moth tax uncollected Jan. 1, 1923		66 21	
Collected and paid Treasurer		34 66	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1923		———	31 55
Balance of 1922 Poll tax uncollected Jan. 1, 1923		158 00	
Collected and paid Treasurer		24 00	
Rebated by Assessors	102	126 00	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1923		———	32 00
Amount carried forward			430 58

Amount brought forward			430 58
Personal, Real, Poll and Moth Tax committed by the Assessors for the year 1923			
Personal and real	22,997 99		
Poll	1095 00		
Moth	174 88		
December commitment	26 40		
		24294 27	
Collected and paid Treasurer			
Personal and Real	19,544 77		
Poll	930 00		
Moth	166 24	20641 01	
Uncollected Dec. 31, 1923			3,653 26
			4083 84

Since the books were closed $65.00 have been rebated on the poll tax due from 1923 tax.

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of Boxford.

Gentlemen:— I herewith submit to you the following report of the details of the Department of Accounting for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1923.

RECEIPTS

Taxes			
C. M. Moulton			
Tax 1920			
Real and Personal		5 05	5 05
Tax 1921			
Real and personal		471 94	
Moth		3 55	
			475 49
Tax 1922			
Real and personal		3,132 29	
Moth		34 66	
Poll		24 00	
			3,190 95
Tax 1923			
Real and Personal		19,544 77	
Moth		166 24	
Poll		930 00	
			20,641 01
Commonwealth of Massachusetts			
For Highways			
Killam Hill Road	1,200 00		
Washington Street	1,000 00		
General Maintenance	3,825 00		
		6,025 00	
Income tax		4,287 82	
School fund		1,116 77	
Amount carried forward			24,312 50

Amount brought forward		24,312 50
School transportation	1,660 10	
School Superintendent	386 67	
School tuition	145 20	
Reimbursement	96 82	
Inspection of animals	25 00	
State Aid	120 00	
Forestry	114 88	
Fish and Game	1 10	
		13,979 36
County of Essex		
Refund on Dog tax	223 97	
For Highways		
Killam Hill Road	1,200 00	
Washington Street	1,000 00	
	2,423 97	
		2,423 97
Butchers' license		50 00
Arsenate of lead		10 92
Oiling roads		180 96
Interest on taxes	145 31	
Interest on deposits	41 99	
School fund	293 79	
		481 09
Topsfield tuition		345 00
Refunds		
Middleton fire	323 25	
Topsfield fire	9 00	
C. E. Brown	5 00	
Amount carried forward		41,783 80

Amount brought forward		41,783 80
W. E. Atkinson, coal	2 50	
J. W. Parkhurst, sch. fund	8 00	
R. Perley, highway	3 00	
Court fines	200 00	
Town Hall	78 50	
Curtis and Killam Cemetery	18 70	
		647 95
Revenue loans		17,000 00
Cash balanec Dec. 31, 1922		3,982 40
		63,414 15

PAYMENTS

Selectmen		
Services 1923		
Charles Perley	75 00	
Harry L. Cole	110 00	
Clinton B. Nason	70 00	
		255 00
Overseers of the Poor		
Charles Perley	5 00	
Harry L. Cole	12 00	
Clinton B. Nason	5 00	
		22 00
Assessors		
Charles Perley	80 00	
Harry L. Cole	70 00	
Charles F. Austin	75 00	
Incidentals	20 75	
		245 75
Treasurer		
Services 1922		
William K. Cole	100 00	
Incidentals	20 50	
		120 50
Collector		
Services 1922		
Charles B. Moulton	175 00	
Bond	60 00	
Postage, Printing, etc.	70 68	
		305 68
Town Clerk		
Services 1922		
John W. Parkhurst	149 86	
Incidentals	6 81	
		156 67
Amount carried forward		1,105 60

Amount brought forward		1,105 60
Accountant		
Services 1923		
Emery L. Bradford	200 00	
Incidentals	8 45	
		208 45
Election and Registration		
Registrars	63 50	
Election officers	104 00	
		167 50
Police		
Harry L. Cole	21 50	
A. P. Lyons	32 75	
F. H. Spofford	66 75	
David Mighill	39 35	
Pine Grove Inn Affair	175 75	
		336 10
Dog Officer		
David Mighill		18 00
Tree Warden		
Labor and expenses		84 80
Forest Warden		
B & M Fire	22 50	
Topsfield fire	9 00	
Danvers, use of apparatus, 1922	50 00	
Forest fires	256 35	
Amount carried forward		1,920 45

Amount brought forward		1,920 45
Burning brush	54 20	
C. E. Brown	53 00	
Telephone	12 00	
Freight etc.	6 00	
Equipment	261 71	
		724 76
Health and Sanitation		
A. L. Whittier, Insp. Slaughter	208 00	
W. G. Greenler, Inspector Animals	50 00	
Board of Health		
Chas. Perley	20 00	
W. K. Cole	7 00	
Incidentals	1 50	
		286 50
Public Buildings		
Town Hall		
Janitor	55 50	
Fuel	45 00	
Light	8 97	
Hall grounds	41 40	
C. H. Chaplin, lumber	46 13	
Rent Lincoln Hall	20 00	
Incidentals	2 00	
		219 00
Libraries		
W. Boxford Library Asso.	111 98	
East Boxford Library Asso.	111 99	
		223 97
Amount carried forward		3,374 68

Amount brought forward			3,374 68
Memorial Day			
Expenses A. K. Nason			125 00
Charities and Soldiers' Benefits			
City of Haverhill			
Care Goodale	782 14		
Care Quimby	547 50		
State Aid	120 00		
Soldiers' Relief	175 00		
Burial of R. King	65 00		
Louise Andrew	16 00		
Matilda Lund	92 29		
			1,797 93
Municipal Indebtedness			
Revenue Loans		1,700 00	
Interest on loans		484 30	
			17,484 30
Agency			
State tax		2,177 99	
State Poll tax		657 00	
Soldiers' exemption		7 01	
County tax		2,043 74	
			4,885 74
Highways, East Parish			
General Main., labor	3,148 08		
Oil	827 21		
			3,975 29
Amount carried forward			31,642 94

RECAPITULATION OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1923.

	Appropriation March 1923	Received from State	Received from County	Received for Refunds	Rec'd from Cemetery fund	Transfer from E & D	Transfer fr Overlay Reserve	Total	Expended	Unexpended Balance	Carried to E & D
GENERAL GOVERNMENT											
Selectmen	255 00								255 00		
Overseers	22 00								22 00		
Assessors	225 00					20 75		245 75	245 75		
Treasurer	100 00					20 50		120 50	120 50		
Clerk	175 00							175 00	156 67	18 33	18 33
Collector	175 00					130 68		305 68	305 68		
Accountant	200 00					8 45		208 45	208 45		
Registrars	63 50							63 50	63 50		
Election Officers						104 00		104 00	104 00		
Sealer Weights and Meas.	25 00							25 00		25 00	25 00
Police	204 25					131 85		336 10	336 10		
Dog Officer	50 00							50 00	18 00	32 00	32 00
Forest Warden	550 00	100 38				74 38		724 76	724 76		
Tree Warden	100 00							100 00	84 80	15 20	15 20
Gypsy & Brown Tail Moth	1,000 00							1,000 00	541 54	458 46	458 46
Health and Sanitation	527 00							527 00	286 50	240 50	240 50
CHARITIES and SOLDIERS' RELIEF											
Support of Poor	2000 00										
State Aid	125 00							2,000 00	1,502 93	497 07	497 07
Soldiers' Relief	200 00							125 00	120 00	5 00	5 00
								200 00	175 00	25 00	25 00
SCHOOLS	15,000 00			2 50				15,002 50	14,729 19	273 31	273 31
LIBRARIES			223 97					223 97	223 97		
HIGHWAYS											
General Maintenance											
East Parish	912 50	1912 50		99 96							
West Parish	912 50	1912 50		84 00		1,050 33		3,975 29	3,975 29		
Bald Hill Road	50 00					1,000 00		3,909 00	3,886 78	22 22	22 22
Titus Road	25 00							50 00	50 00		
Bridges and Incidentals	175 00							25 00	25 00		
Street Lighting	750 00					213 72		388 72	388 72		
Pathing Snow								750 00	709 99	40 01	40 01
Street Signs	250 00					3475 54	517 74	3,993 28	3,993 28		
								250 00	228 12	21 88	21 88
CONSTRUCTION											
Killam Hill Road	1,200 00	1,200 00	1,200 00								
Washington Street	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00			01		3,600 01	3,600 01		
								3,000 00	2,999 99	01	01
AGENCY											84 12
State Tax									2,177 99		
County Tax									2,043 74		
Soldiers' Exemption									7 01		
State poll tax									657 00		
MISCELLANEOUS											
Revenue Loans											
Interest on Loans	400 00								17,000 00		
Town Reports	146 90					84 30		484 30	484 30		
Town Hall	150 00							146 90	146 90		
Town Hall grounds	75 00					27 60		177 60	177 60		
Tuberculosis Sanatorium	254 12							75 00	41 40	33 60	33 60
Memorial Day	125 00							254 12	254 12		
Curtis and Killam Cemetery								125 00	125 00		
Old Cemetery					18 70			18 70	18 70		
						4 00		4 00	4 00		
							Total Expenditures		63,219 28		

Amount brought forward			31,642 94
Killam Hill Road Construction			
Labor	2,960 41		
Oil	639 60		
		3,600 01	
Pathing snow 1923	1,722 90		
Bald Hill Road	50 00		
Titus Road	25 00		
Street Signs	127 92		
Bridges and incidentals	285 73		
		2,211 55	
Highways, West Parish			
Labor	3,294 16		
Oil	592 62		
			3,886 78
Washington St. Const.			
Labor	2,741 69		
Oil	258 30		
			2,999 99
Pathing snow 1923	2,270 38		
Street Signs	100 20		
Bridges and incidentals	102 99		
		2,473 57	
Street lighting (both parishes)		709 99	
Moth			
Supt.	47 86		
Labor	365 60		
Teams	114 00		
Gasoline	14 08	541 54	20398 72
Amount carried forward			48,066 37

Amount brought forward			48,066 37

SCHOOLS

Teaching			
Catherine McInnis	1,200 00		
Ada L. Clapp	720 00		
Laura J. Clarke	720 00		
Lucy A. Hill	540 00		
Alice E. Riggs	820 00		
Pearl M. Harris	400 00		
Katherine D. Manning	440 00		
Esther K. Perley	380 00		
Mary N. Cleaveland, music	275 00		
Blanch H. Curry, drawing	125 00		
Ethel K. Berry, drawing	56 25		
		5,676 25	
Health			
Dr. R. R. Root	50 00		
Esther Nichols	165 00		
Florence Barker	75 00		
		290 00	
Superintendence			
Ralph R. Barr	576 64		
Transportation of Supt.	148 91		
Frank A. Manny, attendance	10 00		
		735 55	
School transportation			
For High School	1,510 50		
For Grade School	1,330 00		
R. R. Fares	311 80		
Amount carried forward			54,768 17

Amount brougth forward			54,768 17
Insurance	407 40		
Federal tax	155 04		
		3,714 74	
Tuition			
No. Andover	1,764 46		
Danvers	754 30		
Topsfield	450 00		
		2,968 76	
Miscellaneous			
Janitor	331 05		
Repairs	296 99		
Supplies	223 07		
Books	63 79		
Fuel	392 00		
Diplomas	10 80		
Incidentals	26 19		
		1,343 89	
Miscellaneous			
Town Reports 1922	146 90		
Tuberculosis Sanatorium	254 12		
Curtis and Killam Cemetery	18 70		
"Old" Cemetery	4 00		
		423 72	
Total payments			63,219 28
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1923			194 87
			63,414 15

TOWN OF BOXFORD

Balance Sheet

December 31, 1923

Assets

C.M. Moulton		
1920 Tax	14 86	
Moth	2 00	
		16 86
1921 Tax	65 64	
Moth	9 70	
		75 34
1922 Tax	274 83	
Moth	31 55	
Poll	32 00	
		338 38
1923 Tax	3,479 62	
Moth	8 64	
Poll	165 00	
		3,653 26
		4083 84
Cash		194 87
		4,278 71

Liabilities

Overlay 1920	144 84	
Overlay, 1921	121 24	
Overlay 1922	16 89	
Overlay 1923	646 06	
		929 03
Excess and Deficiency		3,349 68
		4,278 71

Sale of Town Farm Account

Merchants Trust Co., Special			1924
Acc't Jan. 1, 1923	2,537 06		
Int. for 1923	115 45		
		2,652 51	Bal. Jan.1
Lawrence Savings Bank			
Acc't Jan. 1, 1923	890 62		
Interest for 1923	70 14		
Interest U. S. Bonds	796 87		
		1,757 63	Bal. Jan.1
Merchants Trust Co. Farm Acc't.			
Ac'd. Jan. 1, 1923	18,755 33	18,785 79	U. S. Bonds
Interest 1923	105 53	75 07	Bal. Jan.1
	23,271 00	23,271 00	

WILLIAM K. COLE
Treasurer.

REPORT ON TOWN SCHOOL FUNDS

There are on deposit in Savings Banks as follows:—

Haverhill Savings Bank	1,000 00
Lawrence Savings Bank	1000 00
Warren Five Cents Savings Bank	1000 00
Essex Savings Bank	1000 00

Interest on these deposits has been collected and paid into the Town Treasury as per The Accountant's report.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 1923.

BIRTHS

Date of Birth		Child's Name	Parents' Names
1923			
Jan.	26	Helen Francees Greenler	William J. Mabel (Hill)
Feb.	5	Nancy Ann Jenkins	Melvin H. Ethel (Mortimer)
Feb.	23	Elinor Frances Cole	Harry Lee Ethel Catherine (Killam)
Mar.	8	Frederick Gardner Hagan	Lester G. Grace Marie (Bascom)
Mar.	19	Barbara May Bascom	Charles Stanley Mary Elizabeth (Cousins)
Apr.	25	Donald Stuart MacPherson	William E. Gladys E. (Murray)
June	11	Gerald Arthur Titus	Henry Edna May (Hicks)
July	8	Helen Barbara Tansey	Thomas Henry May Anna (McDougall)
Sept.	26	Elias Sidmore Gurley	Samuel Arthur Esther Marion (Knott)
Oct.	18	George Arthur Gould, Jr.	George Arthur Nettie Hale (Conant)
Nov.	23	Gilbert Arthur Bonvie	Thomas H. Anna R. (Harris)
Nov.	20	Katherine Mary Paradis	Edilbert P. Mary Chadwick (Carver)

Dec.	10	Eliza Chadwick Hebb	Robert B. Josephine (Carver)
May	18	Margaret Rebecca Killam	Dana Franklin Rachael Tyler (Foster)
Aug.	20	Woodbury Cole Titcomb	Maurice Adams Mildred Rena (Cole)
Dec.	2	Josephine Carver Owen	Charles Harold Myra Adelaide (Carver)
Apr.	23	Harold Cohen	Morris Bessie (Koiles)
Dec.	6	Robert Perley Parkhurst	Robert Bernard Lucy Jessie (Killam)

MARRIAGES

Date 1923		Names	Residence
Apr.	28	George Albert Rea	North Andover
		Charlotte Perley	Boxford
May	5	Edilbert P. Paradis	Boxford (West)
		Mary Chadwick Carver	Boxford (West)
May	26	Alfred Nelson Andrews	Topsfield
		Gladys Cole	Beverly
June	16	John R. Walsh	Topsfield
		Ruth M. Ferguson	Topsfield
June	16	Henry Warner Gifford	(South) Lawrence
		Grace Frances Lyon	Boxford (West)
Aug.	18	Leon A. Zibell	Malden
		Celia May Titus	Boxford
Sept.	5	Horace Newcomb Killam	Boxford
		Maud Bartlett Disbrow	Boxford (West)
Oct.	27	William Raymond Walsh	Topsfield
		Ella May Gillis	Boxford

DEATHS

Date of Death

1923		Name of Deceased	Y.	M.	D.	Place of Death
1923		Name of Deceased	Y.	M.	D.	Place of Birth
Mar.	2.	Samuel A. Perley	71	4	10	Boxford
Mar.	15.	Rubin King	48	9	28	Boxford
Mar.	,20.	Sarah Helen (Sides) Dorman	61	7	13	Boxford
Mar.	26.	Paul H. Grover	24	3	27	Boxford
Mar.	28.	Abbie Pevear	75			Boxford
Mar.	13.	Abbie S. Galbraith	77	11	13	Amherst, Mass.
Apr.	3.	Frank H. Riggs	72	1	14	Boxford
May	24.	George Pearl Webster	46	4	15	West Boxford
Sept.	19.	Henri B. Gleezen	64	6	7	Boxford
Oct.	18.	Mary Ellen Perley	77	8	24	Boxford
Dec.	4.	Benjamin H. Blaney	81	5	1	Boxford
Dec.	23.	Marie Wirth	68	1	1	New York, N. Y.

DOG LICENSES

Whole number licensed in 1923, 112.		
73 males at $2.00	$146 00	
39 females at $5.00	195 00	
		341 00
Clerks fees 112 dogs at 20 cents	22 40	
Amount sent County Treasurer	318 60	
		341 00

HUNTING LICENSES

19 Combination at $2 00	38 00	
8 Fishing at 1 00	8 00	
12 Hunting and Trapping at 1 50	18 00	
1 Unnaturalized Fishing at 2.00	2 00	
2 Minor's Trapping at .25	.50	
		66 50
42 Fees at 15 cents	6 30	
Amount sent Div. of Fisheries and Game	60 20	
		66 50

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. PARKHURST
Town Clerk

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER FOR 1923

Whole number of dogs in both Parishes		118
Number of Dogs licensed	112	
Number recorded elsewhere	6	
		118
Number of male dogs	73	
Number of female dogs	39	
		118
Number in First Parish		59
Male, 38; female 21		59
Number in Second Parish		53
Moles 35; females 18		53
Collected by Dog Officer		256 00
Collected by Town Clerk		85 00
Total amount		$341 00

There has been six complaints made to the Dog Officer. Six dogs have been poisoned; four were killed by automobiles and fifteen new dogs have been found since the Assessors finished the rounds, by the Dog Officer.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID MIGHILL

Dog Officer.

Boxford, Mass., Dec., 31, 1923.

LIST OF JURORS

Following is a list of jurors for the year 1923.
George E. Carver, Lake Shore Road, W. Boxford, Farmer.
J. Warren Chadwick, Main Street, W. Boxford,Farmer.
William H. Dick, Valley Rd., W. Boxford, Printer.
Simeon Pearl, Lake Shore Rd., W. Boxford, Farmer.
Avard P. Lyon, Ipswich Rd., W. Boxford, Carpenter.
David P. Anderson, Brook Road, W. Boxford, Farmer.
Paul L. Killam, Killam Hill road, Boxford, Farmer.
Raymond E. Gillis, Lawrence road, Boxford, Carpenter.
Joseph B. Matthews, Lawrence road, Boxford, Farmer.
Waltetr W. French, Haverhill Road, Boxford, Teamster.
H. Parker Cheney, Middleton road, Boxford, Farmer.
Clarence E. Brown, Main Street, Boxford, Ice Dealer.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1923

The Perkins Press, Topsfield, Mass.

SCHOOL OFFICIALS

School Committee

SIMEON PEARL, Chairman — Term expires 1924
West Parish.

DIMON LOCKWOOD, Secretary — Term expires 1925
Topsfield,

CHESTER KILLAM, — Term expires 1924
East Boxford.

Superintendent of Schools

RALPH R. BARR

North Wilmington

Attendance Officer

FRANK H. SPOFFORD

West Boxford

School Physician

DR. RAYMOND R. ROOT

Georgetown

School Nurse

MRS. FLORENCE BARKER

Lake Side, E. Lynn

SCHOOL CALENDAR

First term. Jan. 2—Feb. 21, Eight Weeks.
Recess, Feb. 25—March 3.
Second Term. March 3—April 25, Eight Weeks.
Recess, April 28—May 5.
Third Term. May 5—June 13.
Fall Term. Sept. 3—Dec. 19.

School Holidays

Feb. 22, April 19, May 30, Oct. 12, Thanksgiving Recess, Nov. 27 and 28.

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

To the Citizens of the Town of Boxford:

The Town has suffered a loss in the resignation of Mr. Disbrow whose never tiring interest and constant endeavor for the betterment of our Boxford Schools, leaves with his co-workers and fellow townsmen a deep feeling of respect and appreciation.

Unfortunately some change in the personnel of our teaching force has been necessary during the past year, we do not like to loose a good teacher regardless of her reason for leaving us, as such a loss always means a check in the mental development of our scholars. We have however been fortunate in filling vacancies and consider we have a staff of high standard of quality and loyalty.

The financial standing of the school department at the end of this fiscal year is satisfactory, we are leaving an unexpended balance in the treasury of $273.31. The budget for the coming year will be found in detail elsewhere, the amount necessary to maintain our schools, care for necessary repairs, pay high school tuition and transportation and maintain our progressive standard of education and physical training, is presented to your consideration in detail. It will be noted that our high school tuition and transportation take about one third of the estimated total. Under our present financial system it is necessary that all bills be rendered to the school department promptly, and your cooperation is requested in giving assistance in this matter. All bills for transportation, supplies etc., not rendered to the School Committee before the 15th of De-

cember will be held for special action at the next Annual Town Meeting.

Education and physical training are being allied more closely as we progress, in our small unit rural schools it is impossible to offer the advantages of a special instructor in physical training, as is done in many of the public schools of cities, however we can, and do offer such organized play as is practical. See-saws have been installed at all schools, and this spring it is planned to add swings to the equipment. The cooperative work of the School Nurse and Teachers must have the support of the parents, the mere weighing and measuring of children is only suggestive of physical defects, correction must come from the home. If a child is gaining normally physically, he or she has a good opportunity for mental development, if not gaining, there is trouble somewhere and it is to your interest to investigate at once. It is hoped that with the assistance of the School Nurse, Dr. Root will be able to offer the Boxford children the advantage of having the Schick Test.

This year we have elimenated from the School report all unnecessary material, effecting a considerable saving in printing expense.

Respectfully submitted,

SIMEON PEARL

DIMON LOCKWOOD

CHESTER KILLAM.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

North Wilmington, Mass., Jan. 15, 1924

To the School Committee of Boxford:

Gentlemen: I have the honor to submit herewith my third annual report of the Boxford Schools.

The following tables show by age and grade the distribution of pupils in the whole town and also the membership of the various schools. These tables show clearly some interesting changes that have occured during the past year, namely:

	September 1923								Total
Grades	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
Morse	5	6	6	7		6	8	7	45
Palmer	5	4	3	4	4	6			26
Wood	3	2	2	2	1	3	2	4	19
Totals	13	12	11	13	5	15	10	11	90

Grade	Age											Total
	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	15	15	
1	1	12										13
2		1	8	2	1	1						13
3			3	6	2							11
4					9	3	1					13
5					1	3	1					5
6					1	1	7	3	1		1	14
7							5	2	2	1		10
8									8	2	1	11
Total	1	13	11	8	14	8	14	5	11	3	2	90

The elimination of grade five at the Morse School.

The elimination of grades seven and eight at the Palmer School.

The great increase in membership at the Wood School.

The gain in numbers at the Wood is due primarily to the growing custom on the part of the summer residents of keeping their children in the local schools until late in the fall. Although this custom causes considerable fluctuation, it results in a greatly increased average membership and provides ample justification for maintaining the school. The favorable comment of these parents in regard to our work and standards as compared to the schools in much larger and wealthier communities and the ease with which these children transfer without loss of grade should furnish some evidence of the condition of our schools.

The elimination of the grades above mentioned at the Morse and Palmer schools has been the result of chance rather than design but it has helped to promote the efficiency of the schools by decreasing the number of grades for each teacher with a consequent gain in time and in accuracy of grading.

The gloom of last year due to the resignation of Miss Clapp and the difficulty experienced in securing capable teachers for the schools has been dispelled by the success of our new teachers. The committee was most fortunate in inducing Miss Perley to return to her old position at the Wood School and the work of Miss Harris, the new principal at the Morse School and of Misses Manning and Riggs at the Palmer has been highly satisfactory.

The omission of the reports of the supervisors and nurse is a measure of economy. Miss Cleaveland has continued faithfully her usual high standard of work. Miss Ethel H. Barry of Danvers, a graduate of the Massachusetts Normal Arts School is filling most capably the position made vacant by the resignation of Mrs. Curry. Mrs.

F. K. Barker accepted the position of school nurse. Her familiarity with local conditions, her thorough training and proved ability have assured her success. She has already done much to correct some rather bad nutritious conditions. Her plans call for Schick testing and for a dental and health clinic in the spring.

Our teachers are working hard and enthusiastically. For nearly a year Miss McInnes has been conducting after school hours a sewing class for the girls of the Morse School. This is typical of the spirit of our teachers and supervisors of whose loyalty and success the community may well be proud.

The committee and the community generally should look forward to a new and thoroughly modern school building for the East village. Such a building would insure increased school efficiency and in spite of the outlay should eventually result in lowered costs per pupil. Operating costs for rural schools are inevitably higher than those of more compact school units, but in many ways our expenses are unnecessarily high. Without attempting to estimate the benefits that a new school building would bring to the pupils and to the town, the tendency of a good building to attract and retain teachers should not be ignored. Too frequent changes of teachers is most harmful to the schools. Our liberal salary schedule has not always checked this danger.

That the attendance and general school work shows marked improvement and that our schools are now in such a high state of efficiency is due to the co-operation of the teachers and the school committee.

Respectfully submitted,

RALPH R. BARR,
Superintendent of Schools.

REPORT OF MUSIC SUPERVISOR

To the Supt. and the School Committee of the Town of Boxford,

Gentlemen: The report of the work done in music for the past year is herewith submitted. The aim of the course followed is to inspire in the heart of the child a love for good music, to develop a musical voice, to teach sight-singing and to induce musical interpretation.

The best of material is given, with which to work in the use of the New Educational Course, The Hollis Daun Music Course, and the Music Education Series, the latter having been recently published, the editors placing at the disposal of School Music a collection of songs in which the poetic imagination fittingly expresses the musical feeling.

With the aid of the Victrola, a broader field has been given to the children than is practicable through the usual School music text book.

The Victrola is also an aid in Memory contests familiar songs being played and the children in response naming the selection as it is recognized.

This form of memory work is also done successfully without the Victrola, the teacher singing the song with the use of one syllable and the children recognizing it entirely by the melody without the use of words.

Individual work has been done in all the grades and frequent written lessons have been given.

Much interest is shown by the majority of the pupils in this subject and in one school a marked increase has been manifested the past year.

Much credit is due the grade teachers who carry on the daily drill from week to week in such an efficient manner and in closing I wish to thank them for their valuable assistance and the Superintendent and the School Committee for their united support.

Respectfully submitted,
MARY N. CLEAVELAND.

PALMER SCHOOL

Neither absent nor tardy for four months:

Melvin Gould
Ralph Gould
Evelyn Gould
Marjorie Perley
Elizabeth Sheldon

GRADUATES

PALMER SCHOOL

Archer Norman French
Clinton Elwin French
Esther Stearns Mortimer

MORSE SCHOOL

Helen Lawrence Andrew
Ida Budnick
Lawrence Edward Colby
Alma Rebecca Doucette
Dorothy Winthrop Fowler
Evelyn Hope Gilson
Eva Salois
Philip Foster Spofford

WOOD SCHOOL

Elizabeth Mildred Cutler

Class Colors Blue and Gold

HONOR ROLLS

MORSE PRIMARY

Roll of Honor, Jan. '23—June '23.

For Two Terms

Henry Nason
Dorothy Spofford

For One Term

Joseph Colby
Elizabeth Cole
George Hoyt
David Parker
Richard Spofford

Roll of Honor, Sept. '23—Jan. '24.

For One Term

Charles Andrew
Francoise Auger
John Benson
George Hoyt
Shirley Pearl
Richard Spofford

BOOKS ADDED TO
BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY IN 1923

Abbott, Eleanor H. Fairy prince and other stories....Ab73f
Abbot, Jane D. Highacres jAb2h
"Aguecheek" My unknown chum 910-Ag
Arnim Enchanted April Ar63e
Barrie, J. M. Peter and Wendy jB28p
Bailey, Carolyn S. & .....
Lewis, Clara M. For the children's hour j398-B
Bailey, Temple. Dim lantern B16d
Bakewell, Charles M. Story of American Red Cross 940.9-Bls
Bradford, Gamaliel Damaged souls 920-B6d
Brown, Abbie F. Lonesomest doll jB821
Brown, Helen D. Little Miss Phoebe Gay jB851
Brooks, Elbridge S. Master of the stronghearts jB6m
Burgess, Thornton W. Happy Jack jB8h
Burnham, Smith Hero tales of history j904-B
Boyesen, Hjalmar H. Boyhood in Norway jB76
Canfield, Dorothy Rough hewn C16ro
Carrick, Alice Van Leer Next to nothing house 749-C2n
Cather, Willa Lost lady C2701
Cather, Willa One of ours C2700
Chesterton, Gilbert K. Man who knew too much C44m
Chisholm Louey comp. Golden staircase j821.08-C
Clark, Francis E. Memories of many men in
many lands B-C405m
Cobb, Bertha E. & Ernest Clematis jC4
Collins, Francis A. Sentinels along our coast 614.8-C53s
Colum, Padriac Boy who knew what the birds said jC73b
Colum, Padriac Children who followed the piper jC73c
Collins, Frederick A. Boy astronomer j520-C

Curtis, Alice T. Little maid of Massachusetts Colony jC901m
Deming, E. W. Indian child life jD41i
Diver, Maud Lonely furrow D651
Doyle, A. Conan Sir Nigel D77si
Eastman, Charles A. Indian boyhood jB-E1
Fabre, Jean H. Insect adventures j595-F2i
Our humble helpers j590-F2
Wonder book of chemistry j540-F2w
Fairstair, Mrs. ed. Memoirs of a London doll jF16
Faris, John T. Seeing the Eastern States 917.3-F1s
Finck, Henry T. Gardening with brains 500-F5g
Forman, Henry J. Man who lived in a shoe F76m
Fraser, W. H. & Squair, J French grammar and reader 448-F6
Fuller, Anna Peak and Prarie F95p

Gale, Zona Faint perfume G10f
Gardner, John M. Pharaohs resurrected 913.32-G
Gibbs, Philip Middle of the road G41m
Gibson, William H. Eye spy 593-G3e
Sharp eyes 504-G3s
Graham, James C. It happened at Andover jG96
Grenfell, Wildred T. Tales of the Labrador j917.1-G5t
Greene, Anne Bosworth The lone winter 500-G71
Grey, Zane Mysterious rider G88m
Grubb, Mary B. When mother lets us make gifts j790-G
Haines, Donal H. Sky-line inn H9s
Hardy, Arthur S. Things remembered B-H215t
Haskell, Helen E. Katrinka jH2k
Harris, Joel Chandler Little Mr. Thimblefinger j398-H11
Haughton, Percy D. Football and how to watch it 797-H2f
Hemon, Louis Maria Chapdelaine H36m
Holbrook, Florence Book of nature myths j398-H55
Howe, M. A. DeWolfe Memories of a hostess 920-H6

Hutchinson, Vere Sea wrack H91s
Hutten, Bettina von Maria H95m

Jackson, Helen Hunt Nelly's silver mine jJ13n
Jeffers, LeRoy Call of the mountains 917-J45c
Jenks, J. W. Smith, R. D. We and our country J49a
Jerome, Jerome K. Anthony John J49a
Johnston, Mary 1492 ..... J64fo
Kelland, Clarence B. Scattergood Baines K31s
Keyes, Angela M. When mother lets us play j790-K
Lincoln, Joseph C. Fair harbor 170f
Locke, Wm. J. Tale of Triona L81ta
Lofting, Hugh Story of Dr. Dolittle jL76st
Lloyd, Nelson David Malcolm L805d
Macdonald, George Princess and Curdie jM14p
Princess and the goblin jM14pg
MacFarlane, Peter C. Man's country M140m
McFarland, J. Horace Getting acquainted with trees 634-M
Manny, Frank A. Boxfordians 822-M
Malet, Lucas Survivors M29s
Marsh, George Whelps of the wolf M33w
Marshall, Archibald Clinton twins and other stories M34c
Masefield, John Jim Davis jM21j
Melville, Herman Moby Dick M49m
Moffet, Cleveland Careers of danger and daring jM69i
Moody, Edna W. We are here—why? 150-M6
Morison, S. E. Maritime history of Massachusetts 974.4-M
O'Brien, Frederick Atolls of the sun 919-0b5a
Page, Roswell Thomas Nelson Page B-P18p
Page, Thomas N. Two little confederates jP13tw
Paine, Ralph D. Comrades of the rolling ocean P18c
Roads of adventure B-P18r
Parker, Gilbert Carnac's folly P22c

Patrick, Diana Manuscript of youth P31m
Peary, Josephine D. Snow baby jB-P5s
Pedlar, Margaret Hermit of Far End P32h
Pennington, Patience Woman rice planter B-P43w
Perry, S. G. S. When mother lets us act j793-P
Poole, Ernest Millions P780m
Pound, Arthur Iron man in industry 338-P
Prouty, Olive H. Stella Dallas P94s
Pyle, Howard Men of iron jP98m
Richards, Laura E. Joyous story of Toto jr31j
Richmond, Grace S. Foursquare R41f
Riggs, Austin F. Just nerves 131-R8
Rineheart, Mary R. Tish R48t
Roosevelt, Theodore Stories of the great West j973-R75st
Russell, C. E. True adventures of the secret service 940. 9-R81t
Sabatini, Rafael Fortune's Fool Sa12f
Sea Hawk Sa12se
Snare Sa12s
Seaman, Augusta H. Mystery in Number Six jSe13m
Sconce, J. H. Romance of Everifarm 500-Sc4r
Shackleton, Robert Book of Washington 917. 53Sh
Sidney, Margaret ....Little Maid of Concord Town jSi61
Thayer, Wm. R. George Washington B-W27
Thompson, D. P. Green Mountain Boys jT21g
Thomsan, J. A. Outline of science, 4 vols..... 500-T4
Tileston, Mary W. Caleb and Mary Wilder Foote.... B-F76
Amelia Peabody Tileston B-T41
Tracy, Louis Wings of the morning T66w
Train, Arthur His children's children T69h
Turkington, Grace A. My Country j172-T
Up De Graff, F. W. Head Hunters of the Amazon 918-Up9h
Vachell, Horace A. Blinkers V18b
Waston, Virginia With La Salle the explorer jW17
Wilkins, Mary E. Jane Field W65

Wilkins, Zora P. Letters from a business woman to her daughter W6801
Wister, Owen Neighbors henceforth 940. 9-W75n
Wray, Angelina Jean Mitchell's School jW78j
Wright, Harold B. Recreation of Briar Kent W91r

BOOKS ADDED TO

THE WEST BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY IN 1923

Adams, Katherine Wisp J-Ad1
Baker, Olaf Dusty Star J-B17
Barnes, Annie M. A little lady at the fall of Quebec J-Ba26
Benson, E. F. The Osbornes Be43
Bryant, Lorinda M. Childrens' book of celebrated Pictures J741-Br84
Carey, Rosa N. Not like other girls Ca18
Clark, Badger Sun and saddle leather P-C55
Cohen, Octavus Roy The Crimson alibi Co66
Cross, Roselle T. My mountains 551-Cr87
Crump, Irving Og, Son of fire J-C88
Davis, Mary G. Girl's book of verse P-D28
Dejeans, Elizabeth The Moreton mystery D36
Elliott, Emilia A Texas blue bonnet E14
Felming, Brandon The crooked house F162
Fletcher, J. S. Dead men's money Fle62
The orange yellow diamond Fle62-1
Hawksworth, Hallam The adventures of a grain of dust Ha31
The strange adventures of a pebble ..Ha31-1
Hodgdon, J. R. The enchanted past Ho66

Howells, W D. Different Girls Ho83
Job, Herbert K. Wild wings J57
Lamprey, L. Days of the colonists 325-L19
Lecarboura, A. C. Radio for everybody Le56
Lincoln, N. S. The red seal Li63
Lowndes, Mrs. Belloc. Love and hatred. Lo95
Maniates, Belle K. Mildew Manse Ma32
Marsh, George, The whelps of the wolf J-Ma35
Marshall, Bernard, Walter of Tixerton Ma35
Martin, M. E. The friendly stars 523-M36
McFarland, J. H. Getting acquainted with the trees 634-M16
Meade, L. J. A world of girls J-M46
Moore, F F. The Jessany bride Mo77
Lynde, Frances Empire builders L99
Oakeshott, Ronald The merchant at armes Oa5
Pier, Arthur S. David Ives J-P61
Price, Edith B. The fortune of the Indies P93
Reeve, Arthur B. The film mystery Re25
Regis, Julius No. 13 Toroni Re26
Rowland, H. C. The peddlar Ro77
Sandburg, Carl Rootabaga stories J-Sa5
Sheldon, Charles M. Edward Blake Sh3
Sholl, Anna M. The unclaimed letter Sho7
Sleath, Frederick The red vulture Sl2
Stefansson, Vilhjalmur Hunters of the great north St3
Tappan, Eva M. The story of our Constitution..342-Ta16
Thayer, Lee, The affair at the Cedars Th32
Tupper, Tristiam The house of five swords T83
Tyson, J. A. The scarlet tanger Ty98
Von Hutton, Bettina The bag of saffron Va89
Vetrill, A. H. Radio for amateurs 500-Ve58
Weckham, Harvey The clue of the primrose petal..... W4-

Weekes, R. K. Convict B 14 ..... We41
White, Stewart E. Daniel Boone, wilderness scout
987-Wh58
Young, Gordon Hurricane Williams Yo7
Mother Goose ..... J-Yp
Lambikin ..... J Ye
The ginberbread story book ..... JYg
The little red hen story book ..... JYr

NELLIE SPOFFORD, Librarian.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Essex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Boxford in said County:

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in the Town Hall, Boxford, on Monday, the third day of March, next, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose the following officers, viz:

Moderator for One Year.
One Selectman for Three Years.
One Selectman for Two Years.
One Selectman for One Year.
One Assessor of Taxes for Three Years.
Treasurer for a Term of Three Years.
Collector of Taxes for One Year.
One School Committee for Three Years.
One School Committee for Two Years. (To fill vacancy)
Board of Health, One for Three Years.
Constables, Two for a Term of One Year.
Tree Warden, One for a Term of One Year.

Surveyors of Highways, Two for a Term of One Year.

Also to Vote YES or NO on the Following Question

Shall Licenses be granted for the Sale of Certain Non-intoxicating beverages in this town for the current year?

The above named officers and questions will be voted upon one ballot.

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN AT 8.30 o'clock, A. M. and MAY CLOSE AT 12.30 o'clock P. M.

Article. 2 To choose all other necessary Town Officers and Committees.

Article. 3 To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Article. 4 To receive and act on the report on the Town Accountant.

Article. 5. To take such action as may be deemed best relative to compensation of Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the several departments for the current year, to wit; Schools, Schoolhouses; Highways and bridges, Charities, Health department, Soldiers relief, Street lighting, Moth Suppression, State Aid, Memorial day, Forest warden, Town hall, Election expenses, Reserve fund, Interest on temporary loans, Sealer of weights and measures, Town Accountant, Clerk's department, Registrars, Overseers of the Poor, Assessors, Collector, Treasurer, Selectmen, and all other necessary and proper expenses arising during said year.

Article 7. To see what action the Town will take in regard to unexpended appropriations.

Article 8. To see what action the Town will take as to the recommendtaions of the Selectmen.

Article 9. To see what compensation the Town will pay for labor in the several departments for the ensuing year.

Article 10. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for repairs on "Bald Hill" Road.

Article 11. To appropriate money that may be refunded on account of dog licenses, to libraries or schools.

Article 12. To allow bills of charge and raise and appropriate money for paying the same.

Article 13. To take any action in regard to supplying fuel for the schools.

Article 14. To take such action as may be deemed best in regard to making roads passable when encumbered with snow.

Article 15. To determine when the taxes shall be committed to the Collector, also the manner of collecting the same.

Article 16. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Financial year.

Article 17. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to be used in the care and maintenance of the grounds around the Town Hall or take any other action in the matter.

Article 18. To see if the Town will vote to make use of any portion of the Principal or Interest of the "Town Farm Fund" for Public Libraries, or take any other action in the matter.

Article 19. To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money for repairs on the Cleaveland-Titus road.

Article 20. To see if the Town will vote an appropriation to pay the assessment levied by the County Commissioners of Essex County under Chapter 429 of the Acts of 1923 for the construction of the Tuberculosis Hospital in Middleton and provide for raising the means thereof, by issuing bonds or otherwise, as the Town may determine.

Article 21. To see if the Town will vote to sell the "Kimball Schoolhouse" (so called) at public auction.

Article 22. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to purchase land sold for taxes for the establishment of a Town Forest, or take any other action in the matter.

Article 23. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Polling place, Prect. 1 and 2, Town Hall, Boxford.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting

houses in said town, fourteen days at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Boxford, this ninth day of February in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-four.

CHARLES PERLEY
HARRY L. COLE
JOSEPH B. MATTHEWS
} Selectmen of Boxford, Mass.

SUGGESTED BUDGET

For the various town officers such sums as shall pay the annual charges for 1923 as these are presented at the annual meeting, and the following sums are suggested as probably sufficient for the year 1924.

Accountant	$ 260 00
Sealer of Weights & Measures	25 00
Forest Warden	500 00
Tree Warden	100 00
Police	150 00
Dog Officer	25 00
Health & Sanitation	300 00
Street Lighting	750 00
Charities	2000 00
State Aid	125 00
Soldiers' Relief	50 00
Memorial Day	75 00
Interest on Loans	500 00
Cleaveland-Titus road	25 00
Gypsey & Brown Tail Moth	500 00
Town Hall	250 00
Town Hall Grounds	75 00

Budget of the School Committee.

School Department Budget for 1924.

High School Pupils			
N. Andover 34	Transportation	$2040 00	
	Tuition	2550 00	
Topsfield 3	Tuition	225 00	
Danvers 10	Transportation	400 00	
	Tuition	900 00	6115 00
Teachers 3 at $1200 00		3600 00	

1 at $1000 00	1000 00	
1 at $ 850 00	850 00	5450 00
Superintendent Salary	600 00	
Trans.	150 00	750 00
Supervisors of Drawing and Music		525 00
School Nurse		250 00
Janitorship		350 00
Doctor		50 00
Attendance Officer		10 00
Transportation		
E. Boxford	800 00	
W. Boxford	680 00	
Insurance	410 00	
Taxes	40 00	1930 00
Fuel		400 00
Books & Stationery		300 00
Janitor supplies		50 00
Repairs		300 00
Office expense		25 00
Sundries		70 00
Total		$16575 00

In respect to the roads the Board of Selectmen wish to leave the amount of appropriation to the discussion and decision of the voters of the town, strongly urging that the town co-operate with the state and county according to the provisions of the state law.

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TOGETHER WITH THE

Report of the School Committee and the

Various Town Officers

FOR THE

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1924

MODERATOR

TOWN CLERK
John W. Parkhurst, Two years

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK
Amy G. Parkhurst

SELECTMEN
Charles F. Austin, one year
Harry L. Cole, two years
Charles Perley, three years

ASSESSORS OF TAXES
Harry L. Cole, one year
Charles Perley, two years
George B. Parkhurst, three years

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR
Selectmen

TREASURER
T. Perley Killam

COLLECTOR OF TAXES
Simeon S. Pearl

TOWN ACCOUNTANT
Emery L. Bradford

CONSTABLES

David Mighill Frank H. Spofford

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS

Raymond Perley David A. Anderson

FIELD DRIVERS

Selectmen

TREE WARDEN

Clarence E. Brown

DEPUTY TREE WARDEN

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

FENCE VIEWERS

BOARD OF HEALTH

Alice P. Austin, one year
William K. Cole, two years
Charles Perley, three years

FOREST WARDEN

Clarence E. Brown

DEPUTY FOREST WARDENS FOR 1924

Dimon Lockwood
Chester Killam
William K. Cole
Robert Parkhurst
Raymond Perley
Simeon Pearl

SPECIAL POLICE FOR 1923

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Clarence E. Brown

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William J. Greenler, D. V. M.

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTER

A. L. Whittier

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Charles Perley

MOWING TOWN LAWNS

Joe Sheldon

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Dimon Lockwood, one year
John T. Chadwick Jr., two years
Robert B. Parkhurst, three years

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

William K. Cole William B. Howe John W. Parkhurst

DOG OFFICER

David Mighill

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Poll $2.00 $25.00 on $1,000.00

Report of the Assessors for the year ending Dec. 31, 1924.

VALUATION, APRIL 1, 1924

Real estate, land	$381,025 00
Real estate, buildings	497,018 00
Personal estate	178,083 00
	$1,056,126 00

STATISTICS

Number of polls assessed	204
Number of persons assessed polls only	51
Number of residents assessed on property	238
Number of non-residents assessed on property	217
Corporations and others (resident and non-resident)	24
Number of dwellings	294
Number of acres of land	14,269
Number of horses	152
Number of cows	338
Number of neat cattle	61
Number of sheep	53
Number of swine	7
Number of fowl	6,496
Value of fowl	$8,315 00

No December assessment

H. L. COLE

TAX STATISTICS

Rate on $1,000, $25.00 Polls, $2.00 each

APPROPRIATION MARCH 3, 1924

Selectmen	$267 00
Overseers	27 00
Assessors	230 00
Clerk	171 00
Accountant	260 00
Registrars	42 00
Police	150 00
Sealer Weights and Measures	25 00
Dog Officer	25 00
Elections	250 00
Gypsy & Brown Tail Moth	500 00
Forest Fire Warden	500 00
Tree Warden	100 00
Health and Sanitation	302 20
Charities	2,000 00
State Aid	125 00
Soldiers' Relief	50 00
Town Reports	120 80
Tuberculosis Sanitarium maintenance cost	259 39
Tuberculosis Sanitarium Building Fund	1,425 65
Memorial Day	100 00
Interest on loans	500 00
Town Hall	250 00
Town Hall grounds	75 00
H. P. Cheney, accident	111 80
Schools	16,593 98
Highways:—	
East Parish	2,000 00
West Parish	2,000 00
Amount carried forward	*28,460 82*

Amount brought forward	*28,460 82*
Bridges and incidentals	250 00
Washington Street	1,000 00
Ipswich Road	1,000 00
Titus Road	25 00
Street lighting	750 00
Total Appropriation	$31,485 82
State tax	2,055 25
County tax	1,667 30
Overlay	99 62
Moth tax	164 87
Poll tax	408 00
	35,880 86
Estimated receipts	8,903 39
Total tax committed to collector for 1924	26,977 47

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1924			$194 87
Received from C. M. Moulton, collector			
Tax 1921	8 73		
Tax 1922	22 85		
Tax 1923	1,159 60		
	1,191 18		
Adjustment of balance by State Auditor	150 52	1,341 70	
Received from S. S. Pearl, collector			
Tax 1920	98		
Tax 1921	2 41		
Tax 1922	55 80		
Tax 1923	1,985 02		
Tax 1924	23,401 75		
		25,445 96	26,787 66
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for details see Accountant's Report		12,675 24	
County of Essex, for details see Accountant's Report		2,240 40	
Miscellaneous, for details see Accountant's Report		1,254 88	
Revenue Loans		19,000 00	
Loan from State		5,000 00	40,170 52
			67,153 05

I have included in the above report the accounts of the late Treasurer, Wm. K. Cole. These accounts were audited by the Town Accountant and the Executor of Mr. Cole's estate before the books were turned over to me, I assume that they are correct.

PAYMENTS

Treasury Warrants issued by Town Accountant and approved by Selectmen, for details see Accountant's Report	66,237 55
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1923	915 50
	$67,153 05

T. PERLEY KILLAM

Treasurer

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

After the audit of the past Collector's, Chas. M. Moulton, accounts by the State Auditors, there were turned over to me for collection:

Tax 1920	14 04
Tax 1920 moth	2 00
Tax 1921	58 22
Tax 1921 moth	9 30
Tax 1922	305 31
Tax 1922 moth	9 80
Tax 1922 poll	23 00
Tax 1923	2,186 77
Tax 1923 moth	11 57
Tax 1923 poll	75 00

I have collected and paid over to the treasurer on these respective years as follows:

Tax 1920	14 04	
Collected	98	
Uncollected balance		13 06
Moth uncollected		2 00
Tax 1921	58 22	
Collected	2 41	
Uncollected		55 81
Moth uncollected		9 30
Tax 1922	305 31	
Collected	43 80	
Uncollected		261 51
Tax 1922 moth	9 80	
Collected	2 00	
Uncollected		7 80
Tax 1922 poll	23 00	
Collected	10 00	
Uncollected		13 00
Amount carried forward		*362 48*

Amount brought forward		*362 48*
Tax 1923	2,186 77	
Collected	1,960 42	
Uncollected		226 35
Tax 1923 moth	11 57	
Collected	4 60	
Uncollected		6 97
Tax 1923 poll	75 00	
Collected	20 00	
Uncollected		55 00
		650 80

Personal, Real, Moth and Poll tax committed to me by the Assessors for 1924.

Personal and Real	26,404 60	
Moth	164 87	
Poll	408 00	26,977 47

I have collected and paid over to the Treasurer as follows:

Tax 1924	26,404 60	
Collected	22,852 93	
Uncollected		3,551 67
Tax 1924 Moth	164 87	
Collected	154 82	
Uncollected		10 05
Tax 1924 Poll	408 00	
Collected	394 00	
Uncollected		14 00
		3,575 72

For additional payments after the Accountant's books were closed see page 36.

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of Boxford.

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit to you the following report of the details of the Department of Accounting for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1924.

RECEIPTS

Taxes		
C. M. Moulton		
Tax 1921		
Real and Personal	8 33	
Moth	40	8 73
Tax 1922		
Real and Personal	7 60	
Moth	15 25	22 85
Tax 1923		
Real and Personal	1,147 80	
Moth	1 80	
Poll	10 00	1,159 60
Adjustment of balance due town by State Auditor		150 52
		1,341 70
Taxes		
S. S. Pearl		
Tax 1920		
Real and Personal		98
Tax 1921		
Real and Personal		2 41
Tax 1922		
Real and Personal	43 80	
Moth	2 00	
Poll	10 00	55 80
Amount carried forward		*1,400 89*

Amount brought forward		*1,400 89*	
Tax 1923			
Real and Personal	1,960 42		
Moth	4 60		
Poll	20 00	1,985 02	
Tax 1924			
Real and Personal	22,852 93		
Moth	154 82		
Poll	394 00	23,401 75	26,787 66
Commonwealth of Massachusetts			
For Highways			
General maintenance			
East Parish	1,912 50		
West Parish	1,912 50		
Washington St.	1,000 00		
Ipswich Road	999 88	5,824 88	
Income tax	3,953 91		
Corporation tax	28 49		
" tax pub. ser.	72 25		
" " business	164 10		
Nat. Bank tax	91 21		
School fund	229 48		
" Supt.	386 67		
High School trans.	1,585 88		
State Aid	120 00		
Surplus War Bonus Fund	383 47		
Inspector Animals	25 00		
Forestry	93 48		
Loss of taxes	99 89	7,233 83	13,058 71
County of Essex			
Refund on Dog tax		240 51	
For Highways			
Washington St.	1,000 00		
Ipswich Road	999 89	1,999 89	2,240 40
Amount carried forward			*42,086 77*

Amount brought forward		*42,086 77*
Miscellaneous		
Interest on deposits	54 75	
Interest on Taxes	170 36	
Licenses	100 00	
Director of Standards	3 00	
Hall rent	86 50	
School house rent	24 00	
Road oil 1924	143 34	
Road oil 1923	21 60	
Interest school funds	175 00	
Interest on state loan	8 26	
Tuition Topsfield	45 00	
Sealer's fees	1 00	
Incidentals	4 60	837 41
Refunds		
Topsfield, fire	11 00	
R. Perley, posts	7 00	
Louise Andrews charity	16 00	34 00
Revenue loans		19,000 00
State loan for Sanitarium build. fund		5,000 00
		66,958 18
Cash balance Dec. 31, 1923		194 87
		67,153 05

PAYMENTS

Selectmen		
Services 1923		
Charles Perley	75 00	
Harry L. Cole	127 00	
Jos. B. Matthews	65 00	
Expense	24 75	291 75
Overseers of the Poor		
Charles Perley	5 00	
Harry L. Cole	17 00	
Jos. B. Matthews	5 00	27 00
Assessors		
Charles Perley	75 00	
Harry L. Cole	80 00	
Charles F. Austin	75 00	
Expense	17 71	247 71
Treasurer		
Wm. K. Cole	100 00	
Expense	16 26	116 26
Collector		
C. M. Moulton	175 00	
Expense	41 45	216 45
Town Clerk		
J. W. Parkhurst	171 00	
Expense	11 74	182 74
Accountant		
Emery L. Bradford	200 00	
Check books	35 17	
Expense	11 13	246 30
Amount carried forward		*1,328 21*

Amount brought forward		*1,328 21*
Elections and Registration		
Registrars	42 00	
Election Officers	147 00	
Ballots and check lists	43 78	232 78
Police		
C. E. Brown, Sealer W. & M.	25 00	
F. H. Spofford, Police duty	48 20	
Dog Officer	19 60	92 80
Health and Sanitation		
A. L. Whittier, Insp. Slau.	208 00	
W. G. Greenler, " Animals	50 00	
Board of Health		
W. K. Cole	9 50	
Mrs. A. M. Austin	2 20	269 70
Public Buildings		
Town Hall		
Janitor	30 00	
Fuel	31 50	
Light	25 61	
Grounds	6 80	
Insurance	44 14	
Repairs	1 76	
Rent Lincoln Hall	20 00	159 81
Libraries		
West Boxford Lib. Asso.	120 26	
East Boxford Lib. Asso.	120 25	240 51
Memorial Day		
A. K. Nason, expenses		100 00
Amount carried forward		*2,423 81*

Amount brought forward		*2,423 81*	
Charities and Soldiers' Benefits			
State Aid		120 00	
Soldiers' Relief		192 00	
Care Matilda Lund			
Mrs. Helen T. Cole	400 00		
Mrs. G. E. Whitney	285 00		
Mrs. Edith M. Webster	180 00		
C. J. & J. F. Mahoney	28 10		
Ambulance	5 00		
L. E. Ball, work	5 25		
M. E. Colby	125 28	1,028 63	3,764 44

SCHOOLS

Teaching			
Pearl M. Harris	600 00		
Catherine McInnes	1,200 00		
Katherine Manning	660 00		
Alice E. Riggs	870 00		
Esther K. Perley	970 00		
Louise Stacy	400 00		
Laurinda Parkhurst	20 00		
Margaret Lane	20 00		
Mary N. Cleveland, Music	275 00		
Ethel M. Barry, Drawing	250 00	5,265 00	
Superintendence			
Ralph R. Barr	350 00		
Stephen G. Bean	233 35		
Transportation	76 73	660 08	
Tuition			
North Andover	1,631 84		
Danvers	862 50		
Topsfield	225 00		
Georgetown	32 00	2,751 34	
Amount carried forward		*8,676 42*	*3,764 44*

Amount brought forward		*8,676 42*	*3,764 44*
Transportation			
High School			
Geo. E. Carver	1,514 00		
Insurance	123 98		
Railroad fares	369 78	2,007 76	
Grade School			
Geo. E. Carver	672 00		
L. L. Ingalls	760 00		
T. P. Killam	320 00		
Insurance	108 68	1,860 68	
Miscellaneous			
Janitors	370 50		
Books	135 17		
Supplies	270 94		
Diplomas	7 36		
Repairs	336 10		
Fuel	324 00		
Physician	50 00		
Nurse	344 99		
Incidentals	35 15	1,874 21	14,419 07

HIGHWAYS

East Parish			
General maintenance			
Labor	2,398 75		
Gravel	52 35		
Tools	45 47		
Culvert	26 18		
Spikes, etc.	5 63		
Oil	1,393 59		
Telephone	1 45		
Auto	23 00	3,946 42	
Amount carried forward		*3,946 42*	*18,183 51*

Amount brought forward		*3,946 42*	*18,183 51*
Ipswich Road			
Labor	2,497 10		
Gravel	147 90		
Tools	18 16		
Culvert	76 84		
Ties and posts	6 18		
Paint	2 10		
Coal	24 64		
Oil	159 84		
Damages	9 65		
Petition	24 25		
Auto	30 00		
Miscellaneous	2 98	2,999 64	
Cleaveland-Titus Road			
Labor		24 90	
Bridges and Incidentals			
Cole's Bridge	371 56		
Howe's Bridge	6 08		
Frame's Bridge	7 42		
R. Perley, post refund	7 00		
Groveland Town Sign	10 50		
M. F. Day, fix pump	1 50	404 06	7,375 02
West Parish			
General maintenance			
Labor	3,175 60		
Gravel	189 95		
Tools	47 40		
Culvert	36 72		
Freight	3 62		
Oil	447 68	3,900 97	
Amount carried forward		*3,900 97*	*25,558 53*

Amount brought forward		*3,900 97*	*25,558 53*
Washington Street			
Labor	2,396 60		
Gravel	35 70		
Tools	14 70		
Culvert	33 66		
Coal	19 75		
Water	11 36		
Pipe	65 48		
Posts and spruce	58 08		
Hardware	15 25		
Paint	49 55		
Oil	281 07		
Cartage, etc.	18 80	3,000 00	
Pathing Snow			
East Parish	445 13		
West Parish	454 51	899 64	
Street lighting			
Annual bonus	250 00		
Street light	459 98	709 98	8,510 59
Agency			
State tax	1,800 00		
Penalty	11 00		
Audit accounts	229 87		
Soldiers' exemption	6 69		
National Bank tax	7 69		
County tax	1,667 30	3,722 55	
Municipal Indebtedness			
Revenue loan	19,000 00		
Interest on loans	593 75	19,593 75	
Amount carried forward		*23,316 30*	*34,069 12*

Amount brought forward		*23,316 30*	*34,069 12*
Miscellaneous			
Town Report 1923	120 80		
Tuberculosis Sanitarium			
Annual maintanance	259 39		
County of Essex			
Tuberculosis Hospital			
Building Fund	6,425 65		
H. Parker Cheney			
accident compensation	111 80		
T. Perley Killam			
Surplus War Bonus fund	383 47	7,301 11	30,617 41
Tree Warden			
C. E. Brown			
Labor and Expense		100 80	
Forest Warden			
C. E. Brown		744 00	
See Warden's Report page 32			
Moth			
Superintendent	24 00		
Labor	474 00		
Teams	132 00		
Gasoline	8 05		
Expenses	2 60		
State Charge	65 57	706 22	1,551 02
			66,237 55
Cash balance Dec. 31, 1923			915 50
			67,153 05

RECAPITULATION OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1924

	Appropriation March, 1924	Received from State	Received from County	Received for Refunds	Transfer from E & D	Oil for roads	Tax levy	Loan from State	Total	Expended	Unexpended Balance	Carried to E & D
GENERAL GOVERNMENT												
Selectmen	267 00				24 75				291 75	291 75		
Overseers of Poor	27 00								27 00	27 00		
Assessors	230 00				17 71				247 71	247 71		
Treasurer					116 26				116 26	116 26		
Clerk	171 00				11 74				182 74	182 74		
Collector					216 45				216 45	216 45		
Accountant	260 00								260 00	246 30	13 70	13 70
Registrars	42 00								42 00	42 00		
Elections	250 00								250 00	190 78	59 22	59 22
Sealer Weights and Measures	25 00								25 00	25 00		
Police	150 00								150 00	48 20	101 80	101 80
Dog Officer	25 00								25 00	19 60	5 40	5 40
Tree Warden	100 00				80				100 80	100 80		
Forest Fire Warden	500 00			12 00	232 00				744 00	744 00		
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth	500 00				206 22				706 22	706 22		
Health and Sanitation	302 20								302 20	269 70	32 50	
CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' RELIEF												
Support of Poor	2,000 00								2,000 00	1,028 63	971 37	971 37
State Aid	125 00								125 00	120 00	5 00	5 00
Soldiers' Relief	50 00				142 00				192 00	192 00		
SCHOOLS												
For details see pages 18-19	16,593 98								16,593 98	14,419 07	2,174 91	2,174 91
LIBRARIES			240 51						240 51	240 51		
HIGHWAYS												
General maintenance												
East Parish	2,000 00	1,912 50				106 25			4,018 75	3,946 42	72 33	72 33
West Parish	2,000 00	1,912 50				6 61			3,919 11	3,900 97	18 14	18 14
Cleveland-Titus road	25 00								25 00	24 90	10	10
Bridges and Incidentals	250 00			7 00	147 06				404 06	404 06		
Street lighting	750 00								750 00	709 98	40 02	40 02
Pathing snow					899 64				899 64	899 64		
SPECIAL CONSTRUCTION												
Washington Street	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00						3,000 00	3,000 00		
Ipswich Road	1,000 00	1,000 00	1,000 00						3,000 00	2,999 64	36	36
AGENCY												
State Tax							1,800 00		1,800 00	1,800 00		
County Tax							1,667 30		1,667 30	1,667 30		
Soldiers' exemption							6 69		6 69	6 69		
National Bank tax							7 69		7 69	7 69		
Auditing accounts							229 87		229 87	229 87		
Penalty							11 00		11 00	11 00		
MISCELLANEOUS												
Revenue loans							19,000 00		19,000 00	19,000 00		
Interest on loans	500 00				93 75				593 75	593 75		
Town reports	120 80								120 80	120 80		
Town Hall	250 00								250 00	153 01	96 99	96 99
Town Hall grounds	75 00								75 00	6 80	68 20	68 20
Tuberculosis Sanatarium, Annual maintenance	259 39								259 39	259 39		
Tuberculosis Sanatarium Building fund	1,425 65							5,000 00	6,425 65	6,425 65		
Parker Cheney, accident compensation	111 80								111 80	111 80		
Memorial Day	100 00								100 00	100 00		
T. Perley Killam, Treas. Surplus War Bonus Fund		383 47							383 47	383 47		
									Total Expenditures	66,237 55		

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1924

Pearl, S. S., Collector			
1920 tax	13 06		
Moth	2 00	15 06	
1921 tax	55 81		
Moth	9 30	65 11	
1922 tax	261 51		
Moth	7 80		
Poll	13 00	282 31	
1923 tax	226 35		
Moth	6 97		
Poll	55 00	288 32	
1924 tax	3,551 67		
Moth	10 05		
Poll	14 00	3,575 72	4,226 52
Revenue 1924			
Cash balance			915 50
			5,142 02

Overlay 1920	144 84	
Overlay 1921	121 24	
Overlay 1922	16 89	
Overlay 1923	646 06	
Overlay 1924	99 62	1,028 65
Est. Revenue Exc. and Def.		4,113 37
		5,142 02

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER FOR 1924

Whole number of dogs in both Parishes		118
Number of male dogs	76	
Number of female dogs	32	
Number of dogs recorded elsewhere	10	
		118
Number in First Parish		53
Number of male dogs	34	
Number of female dogs	19	
		53
Number in Second Parish		55
Number of male dogs	42	
Number of female dogs	13	
		55
Collected by Dog Officer		$253 00
Collected by Town Clerk		59 00
Collected in all		$312 00

Largest number of dogs at any one place was eight, next seven, next five, several kept two or more dogs. There has been six complaints the last year.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID MIGHILL

Dec. 31, 1924 Dog Officer

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 1924

BIRTHS

Date of Birth	*Child's Name*	*Parents' Names*
1924		
Feb. 9.	John Prime Curtis	John Killam Curtis Charlotte Katherine (Prime)
April 4.	Stanwood Russell Morss	Walter K. Morss Ruth (Pearl)
May 1.	Joyce Chadwick	John T. Chadwick, Jr. Ida (Corliss)
May 13.	Samuel Wilder Wells, Jr.	Samuel Wilder Wells
May 13.	Joanna Wells	Elizabeth (Davenport)
May 28.	William Herbert Maynard	Charles Maynard H. Gladys (Flanders)
May 30.	——— Maskell	John E. Maskell, Jr. Viola G. (Welch)
June 8.	George Everett Hagen	Lester Gardner Hagen Grace M. (Bascom)
June 14.	Stuart Zibell	Leon Alexander Zibell Celia May (Titus)
June 27.	Franklin Webster Killam	Dana Franklin Killam Rachael Tyler (Foster)
July 3.	Florence Marion Mellow	Francis Mannel Mellow Theodora Ella (Bonvie)
Oct. 18.	John Anthony Spencer, Jr.	John A. Spencer Ethel (Hagen)
Nov. 12.	Nancy Louise Purkis	George Thomas Purkis Ada Bertha (Carter)
Nov. 14.	John Lewis Murling	John Lincoln Murling Hazel Davis (Cole)
Dec. 3.	John Joseph Greenler	William Jeremiah Mabel Louise (Hill)
June 5.	Ruth Cohen	Morris Cohen Bessie (Koiles)

MARRIAGES

Date 1924	*Names*	*Residence*
Mar. 9.	James Franklin Phelps Zibell	Boxford
	Eleanor Pearl Ingalls	Boxford
April 26.	Dana Arel Kirkland	Boxford
	Edith May Shellnutt	North Andover
Sept. 5.	John Kimball Lewis	Boxford
	Marcella L. Emerson	Haverhill

DEATHS

Date 1924	*Names*	*Y.*	*M.*	*D*
Jan. 10.	Edward Caleb Mortimer	68	5	19
Jan. 18.	Albert Holman Plummer	89	4	29
Jan. 31.	Lizzie G. Killam	56	7	22
Feb. 8.	Edgar Hooper	65	7	6
Apr. 2.	Martha A. Hale	69		
May 23.	James B. Sawyer	72	5	11
June 15	Solomon W. Howe	81	7	10
Aug. 7.	William Kimball Cole	68	2	4
Aug. 24.	Donald Robert Kaye	1	1	
Sept. 28.	Barbara E. Davison	0	0	3
Nov. 19.	Robert W. Buck	58	6	
Oct. 29.	Walter S. Morss	82	1	13
Nov. 1.	James O. Killam	17		

DOG LICENSES

Whole number licensed in 1924, 109		
77 dog at $2.00	$154 00	
39 dogs at 5.00	160 00	314 00
Clerk's fees 109 dogs at 20 cents	21 80	
Amt. sent County Treasurer	292 20	314 00

HUNTING LICENSES

24 Combination at $2.00	$48 00	
12 Hunting and Trapping at 1.50	18 00	
8 Resident Fisherman's at 1.00	8 00	
1 Alien Fisherman's at 2.00	2 00	76 00
25 fees at 15 cents	3 75	
20 fees at 25 cents (fee raised in Aug.)	5 00	
Amt. sent Div. of Fisheries and Game	67 25	76 00

Respectfully submitted

JOHN W. PARKHURST,

Town Clerk.

LIST OF JURORS

Following is a list of Jurors for the year 1924.
George E. Carver, Lake Shore road, W. Boxford, Farmer
Charles F. Austin, Main St., W. Boxford, Farmer
William H. Dick, Valley road, W. Boxford, Printer
Simeon S. Pearl, Lake Shore road, W. Boxford, Farmer
Avard P. Lyons, Ipswich road, W. Boxford, Carpenter
David H. Anderson, Brook road, W. Boxford, Farmer
Paul L. Killam, Killam Hill road, E. Boxford, Farmer
Raymond E. Gillis, Boxford village, Carpenter
Joseph B. Matthews, Lawrence road, Boxford, Farmer
Walter W. French, Boxford village, Teamster
H. Parker Cheney, Middleton road, Boxford, Teamster
Clarence E. Brown, Main St., Boxford, Ice Dealer

CHARLES PERLEY,
HARRY L. COLE.
Selectmen of Boxford

REPORT ON TOWN SCHOOL FUNDS

There are on deposit in Savings Banks as follows:—

Haverhill Savings Bank	1,000 00
Lawrence Savings Bank	1,000 00
Warren Five Cents Savings Bank	1,000 00
Essex Savings Bank	1,050 62

Interest on these deposits has been collected and paid into the Town Treasury as per The Accountant's report. There is $50.62 uncollected interest in the Essex Savings Bank.

W. B. HOWE,
J. W. PARKHURST.

REPORT ON CURTIS AND KILLAM CEMETERY FUND

Danvers Savings Bank	130 21	
Interest for 1924	6 26	136 47

REPORT OF THE SARAH P. PERLEY FUND

The article in will of Sarah P. Perley is as follows:

"After the decease of my said neice, Mary Ellen Perley, I give into the hands of the Selectmen of the town of Boxford, then holding said offiice, and their successors in said office, forever, the sum of Two Thousand Dollars, the same to be known as the 'Sarah P. Perley Fund,' the same to be securely invested and the income therefrom to be annually dlstributed by said Selectmen to the worthy and needy widows and single women residents of the part of said Boxford known as the East Parish."

This sum of Two thousand dollars ($2,000.00) has been paid over by the Executor of the will and is deposited in the Andover Savings Bank. The income thereon to be disbursed according to the provisions of the aforesaid will.

CHARLES PERLEY,
HARRY L. COLE,
CHARLES F. AUSTIN.
Selectmen of Boxford.

REPORT ON THE WAR BONUS FUND

In November, 1924 the Commonwealth of Massachusetts paid over to the Town the sum of $383.47. This has been deposited in the Danvers Savings Bank and is subject to disbursement according to the provisions of law.

Chapter 480, is an act to provide for the return to the cities and towns of certain surplus funds collected to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany, and specifically provides that the money received shall be held as a special fund to be appropriated only for the purpose of paying indebtedness or for purposes for which a city or town may borrow money as specified in Sections 7 and 8 of Chapter 44, General Laws. Receipts from the Commonwealth on this account should not be credited to estimated receipts, but should be held as a special fund until appropriated for one of the purposes specified by Chapter 480. Any other use of this money is illegal.

T. PERLEY KILLAM,

Treasurer.

TOWN FARM FUND

Merchants Trust Co. Savings Dept.		
On deposit Jan. 1, 1924	2,652 51	
Interest for 1924	120 69	
Transferred from a "Special Account" of the Merchants Trust Co.	75 07	2,848 27
Lawrence Savings Bank		
On deposit Jan. 1, 1924	1,756 63	
Interest for 1924	98 91	
Interest on U. S. bonds for 1924	796 88	2,653 42

There are on deposit in the safety vault at the Merchants Trust Co. Lawrence, United States Fourth Liberty Bonds, par value $18,750.00.

There are Eighteen One thousand dollar bonds
One Five hundred dollar bond
Two One hundred dollar bonds
One Fifty dollar bond

I have checked up with the several banks where these various Trust Funds are deposited. I have seen the respective bank books. I have seen and counted the government bonds, and on this date, Feb. 3, 1925 they are as stated in this annual report.

EMERY L. BRADFORD,

Town Accountant.

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN

	Cost of extinguishing	Acres burned	Amount of damage
Marden 1923	6 50		
Frame 1923	26 00	1/2	10 00
Calder	23 50	4	15 00
Holmes, 7 fires	256 40	16	225 00
Livermore	21 50	3	150 00
Lavine	23 50	6 1/2	75 00
Chapman Lane	71 00	7	78 00
Pie Brook	27 50	3	10 00
State Land	23 50	1 1/2	25 00
Lewis	17 00	2 1/2	25 00
Holgate	17 00	1/2	10 00
Gammel	13 00	3	15 00
North Bennett	5 50	1/2	5 00
Chandler House fire Paid Georgetown	24 00		
Fire in Topsfield Reimbursed	11 00		
	566 90		
Supplies	52 10		
Equipment	25 00		
Salary of Fire Warden including Telephone and all incidentals	100 00		
	744 00		

CLARENCE E. BROWN

Forest Fire Warden

LIST OF UNPAID TAXES, FEB. 1, 1925

Tax 1920 real and personal		
Clarence Hale, et. al.	82	
Alpha and Velma Walker	3 75	
Lewis Howe	16	
Agnes M. McCarthey	2 94	
Daniel Peabody	2 94	10 61
Tax 1920 moth		
Alpha and Velma Walker		2 00
Tax 1921 real and personal		
Thomas H. Bonvie	6 38	
Alpha and Velma Walker	21 28	
Clarence A. Barnes	3 70	
Eva A. Bradford	9 25	
Lewis Howe	19	
Alfred K. Jenkins	93	
Agnes M. McCarthey	3 33	
Daniel Peabody	3 33	
John L. Saltonstall	93	
H. or D. Albert Walker	2 78	52 10
Tax 1921 moth		
Alpha and Velma Walker	2 00	
Eva A. Bradford	7 30	9 30
Tax 1922 real and personal		
Thomas H. Bonvie	2 27	
Eva A. Bradford	20 50	
Alpha and Velma Walker	22 55	
Clarence A. Barnes	137 35	
Lewis Howe	21	
Clarence H. Hale	1 03	
Alfred K. Jenkins	1 03	
Agnes M. McCarthey	3 69	
Daniel Peabody	3 69	
Eugene Redman	54 84	
John L. Saltonstall	4 10	
William Walch	31	
Mary J. Nason	4 10	255 67

Tax 1922 moth		
Alpha and Velma Walker	2 00	
Clarence A. Barnes	5 80	7 80
Tax 1923 real and personal		
Thomas H. Bonvie	2 80	
A. P. Lyon	2 83	
Matilda B. Lund Estate	2 05	
Aubrey Lyon	1 66	
Clarence Reynolds	2 20	
Alpha and Velma Walker	24 20	
Alpha Walker	4 40	
Arokal Aznavoorian	15 61	
C. A. Barnes	150 70	
Lewis Howe	22	
Clarence H. Hale	1 10	
A. J. Jenkins	1 10	
Daniel Peabody	3 96	
John L. Saltonstall	4 40	
William Welch	34	217 57
Tax 1923 moth		
C. A. Barnes		60
Tax 1923 poll		
Fred Barker	5 00	
Thomas H. Bonvie	5 00	
Fred E. Gillis (two polls)	10 00	
Aubrey Lyon	5 00	
Alpha Walker	5 00	
Barney Jankoski	5 00	35 00

Tax 1924 real and personal		
Mathilde C. Barker	44 26	
Thomas H. Bonvie	76	
John G. Chandler	166 90	
Benjamin Cohen	108 76	
Elizabeth W. Foster	97 50	
H. B. Gleezen Estate	61 88	
Edgar E. Hooper Estate	21 26	
Avard P. Lyon	51 12	
Charles M. Moulton	121 58	
A. J. McLaughlin	7 50	
Eva B. McLaughlin	13 76	
Florence A. McLaughlin	47 50	
Charles A. Maynard	16 26	
John K. Pearl	80 00	
Arthur Pinckney	45 00	
Edw. E. Pearl	235 10	
A. J. Paradis	2 50	
Charles A. Parker	68 00	
Harriet W. Wilson	59 38	
Alpha and Velma Walker	9 73	
Geo. L. Adams Estate	1 26	
Arokal Aznavoorian, et. al.	176 26	
Maud D. Butler	176 24	
John J. Halpin, H. H. Welt	29 26	
Lewis Hale	67 50	
Lewis Howe	26	
Clarence H. Hale	1 26	
Herbert E. Jenkins	17 50	
Alfred K. Jenkins	1 26	
Harlan P. Kelsey	497 12	
William Merrills	12 50	
Anna Nolin	16 26	
Arthur Perkins	1 26	
Daniel Peabody	4 50	
Eugene T. Redman	93 26	
John L. Saltonstall	5 00	
William Welch	38	
Eva A. Bradford	427 00	2,786 83

Tax 1924 moth		
Mathilde C. Barker	26	
John G. Chandler	26	
Benjamin Cohen	1 05	
Charles M. Moulton	26	
Edw. E. Pearl	53	
Arokal Aznavoorian	53	
Maud D. Butler	60	
Clarence H. Hale	40	
Eva A. Bradford	3 15	7 04
Tax 1924 poll		
Thomas H. Bonvie	2 00	
Fred E. Gillis	2 00	4 00

The balance of unpaid taxes as shown in this list under the respective years is less than that shown in the Collector's report on page 11 and 12, due to the fact that after the books were closed on Dec. 31, 1924, the following amounts were collected or abated:

1920 tax	2 45
1921 tax	3 71
1922 tax	5 84
1923 tax	8 78
1923 moth tax	6 37
1923 poll tax	20 00
1924 tax	764 85
1924 moth tax	3 01
1924 poll tax	10 00

EMERY L. BRADFORD,

Town Accountant.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1924

THE PERKINS PRESS, TOPSFIELD, MASS., 1925

SCHOOL OFFICIALS

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

DIMON LOCKWOOD, Chairman Topsfield	Term expires 1925
ROBERT PARKHURST, Secretary Boxford	Term expires 1927
JOHN T. CHADWICK, JR. West Boxford	Term expires 1926

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

STEPHEN G. BEAN,
40 Central Street,
Somerville, Mass.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

Frank H. Spofford
West Boxford

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

DR. RAYMOND R. ROOT
Georgetown

SCHOOL NURSE

MRS. FLORENCE BARKER
72a Verona Street
E. Lynn, Mass.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

First Term. Dec. 29th—Feb. 20th.
Recess Feb. 23rd.—March 2nd.
Second Term. March 2nd—April 24th.
Recess April 27th—May 4th.
Third Term. May 4th.—June 12th.
Fall Term. Sept. 8th—Dec. 24th.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Jan. 1st, Feb. 23rd, April 20th, October 12, Thanksgiving Recess Nov. 26th and 27th.

GRADUATES, 1924

MORSE SCHOOL

Ada Louise Andrew
Madeline Rita Andrew
Richard Poor Chadwick
Marshall Allen Foster
Richard William Pearl
Eugenia Jenny Pietuchow

WOOD SCHOOL

Donald Ezra Baker
Hazel Iola Killam

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

During the past year Superintendent of Schools, Mr. Barr resigned and the vacancy has been filled by Mr. Stephen G. Bean.

The Wood School has been closed due to a decrease of children for that district, and a decided increase for the Palmer district coupled with the children being transported from the Wood district has made conditions in the Palmer Schoool more crowded than they should be. There is prospect of the addition of several scholars for the Palmer district in September, and to accommodate them additional seating capacity will be necessary, to meet this increased demand for room, the Committee recommend that the Wood School be moved to a location near the Palmer School and that one building be then used for the upper grades and the other for the lower. If some such provision is not made for the increase of scholars it will be impossible to care for new ones.

The Committee and Superintendent of Schools are gradually standardizing the courses of study and books used in the Boxford Schools, this will effect material economies in the purchase of books from year to year.

The budget submitted to your consideration and vote for the ensuing year is as conservative in amount as the Committee can safely make it. For the maintenance, salaries and transportation of our grammar schools and teachers we have allowed $10,070 all in excess of that sum being used for High School tuition and transportation, with the exception of one child attending the Georgetown School.

The committee wish to express their appreciation of the effort and co-operation shown by the teachers, supervisors, nurse and others in their endeavors for the general good of the Boxford Schools.

Respectfully submitted,

DIMON LOCKWOOD,
ROBERT B. PARKHURST,
JOHN T. CHADWICK, JR.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Committee
Boxford, Mass.

Gentlemen:

Pursuant with the annual custom I am submitting herewith my report as Superintendent of Schools.

Since my incumbency in office has endured for the smaller part of the fiscal year, I shall make no attempt to elaborate on the work of the entire year; but I shall instead give a very brief survey of the conditions as I have found them. I trust therefore that my efforts will be regarded in no way as criticisms, but rather as simple statements of facts as I see them.

General Conditions

Viewed in comparison with other towns of similar conditions of resources, geographical distribution of school population, and transportation facilities the school system is functioning in a satisfactory manner. There are opportunities for improvement however, which are very vital to the best interests of the children of those sections served by the Palmer School. This is already called to the attention of the voters in the general report of the School Committee. Serious attention should be given to the recommendations of this body. They are endeavoring earnestly and honestly to give to the children of Boxford the very best edcuational opportunity commensurate with the funds placed at their disposal.

To an official making a survey of school conditions such as obtain here, it is always a source of temptation to have the school population grouped in the inefficient manner made necessary by having the same combinations of grades housed in two widely separated sections of the town, and with too many grades to each teacher to permit of really

satisfactory work. Of course it is understood that in these towns with their school buildings already provided, and with a widely scattered population, it is almost too much to expect a scrapping of the existing plant and a new start. It is none the less a fact that, in a long period of years such action would prove a real economy. The gain would appear in the better preparation to cope with others who have the advantage of the superior opportunities provided by the better type of organization. It would also show in the very much better return on the money invested in teaching, by virtue of removing those conditions producing great waste of teacher energy thru duplication of effort and thru lack of time to effectively "clinch" the work. This is not a condition peculiar to Boxford. It is common to most small towns of this type thruout New England, and is without doubt the prime reason why the East has lost its leadership in education to the West.

Teacher Personnel

There has been no great change in the teaching corps this year. This is usually a favorable condition. Frequent changes in the teaching staff is a common source of weakness in the smaller schools.

Miss Stacy assumed control of the Morse Grammar school in September. Being a Normal graduate with special summer study in Junior High School work she seemed well qualified to fill this position and is doing her best to justify her training.

All of our teachers are earnest and diligent; willing and eager to receive suggestions, and careful in putting them into effect. They have also shown that initiative so necessary in schools where supervision is as loose as the single weekly visit of the Superintendent makes necessary here. This condition has been improved during the year by the closer concentration of the school population into but two buildings.

Buildings

The school buildings with which I am familiar are in a good state of general repair. The sanitaries are unusually clean, especially at the Palmer School. These unsatisfactory adjuncts to school buildings in towns having no water system are frequently abominations in the sight of anyone interested in children. Many towns are meeting this problem in these days by installing chemical closets, and such installations are proving very satisfactory substitutes for flush closets. They have the advantage that they can be installed so that it is not necessary for children to leave the main school building. All sanitaries have been provided with toilet paper on standard fixtures since the opening of the present school year, and liquid soap in glass servers has also been added to our means of cleanliness.

The Palmer School is in good condition as a building. The chief undesirable feature here is the necessity for two teachers to carry on classes simultaneously in what is practically one room. If the suggestion of the School Committee be carried out, there should be a marked improvement in the kind of work possible there.

The Morse building seems in a very good condition of repair, and outwardly is a satisfactory school structure. The great need here is for a general housecleaning inside. A thorough cleaning of the windows both outside and inside together with the judicious use of some light colored paint on walls and ceilings would make the rooms here much more cheerful to spend the day in. At this school the sanitaries are not in as good condition as at the Palmer, and because of the type of building it would be very good buisness to consider the installation of chemical closets.

Health Activities

The School Nurse is as active in the performance of her duties as the limited time assigned to her will permit. It is not easy to do this work to the best advantage in the one day assigned to her, especially in view of the difficulties

of transportation. To do this work satisfactorily in this territory some means of fairly speedy conveyance is highly necessary. Practically no follow-up work in the homes can be done under present conditions. One of the strongest features in efficient health work for the school children should lie in conferences between parents and the nurse.

Music

From my personal observations in the school rooms I can note that the work in this department is being taken care of satisfactorily. The children are being drilled in the fundamentals and are receiving some training in finding their voices. It is a source of regret that my schedule has not seemed to synchronize with that of the Supervisor so that I have not as yet had an opportunity to see her at work. Judgment of this department is based wholly on results.

Drawing

Under the supervision of Miss Barry the work in this branch is progressing very well. Results can be seen on the walls of any school room. The importance of drawing is often underestimated by those unfamiliar with the aim of this branch of instruction. To many it seems but a fad whose sole accomplishment is the destruction of expensive paper and colors. We sometimes lose sight of the inward good accomplished and see only the more or less crude outward sign. There are times when a few lines can express more than can be told in long pages of words. And again the knowledge of color harmony can determine the difference between joy or sorrow in a costume or a color scheme in home decoration. Furthermore this is almost our only way of stimulating manual skill.

Pupils and Their Progress

This is of course the aim of our endeavor, and it is most difficult of all to give a definite form of report. The results of a year of school work exists in changes which have

taken place in that most inaccessible entity—the human mind. A more or less crude report on this score is here offered in the form of simple tabulations showing progress of the children in age and grade groups.

AGE AND GRADE DISTRIBUTION DEC. 31, 1924

	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	T	OA	%	UA	%
I	**3**	**3**										6				
II		**2**	**9**	**1**								12	1	8		
III			**4**	**4**	**1**							9	1	11		
IV			1	**1**	**4**		1					7	1	14	1	14
V			1		**2**	**5**	2	1				11	3	27	1	9
VI						**3**	**1**					4				
VII						1	**3**	**8**		1	2	15	3	20	1	7
VIII								**2**	**2**	1	1	6	2	33		
	3	5	15	6	7	9	7	11	2	2	3	70	11	16	3	4

OA—Indicates those pupils older than normal for the grade.
UA—Indicates those pupils younger than normal for their grade.
Figures in bold face type are those in the normal age group for the corresponding grade.

The most noteworthy thing about this table is the number of retarded pupils as compared to the accelerates. In my opinion this is wholly normal and healthy for a system like this. It shows that some discrimination is being shown in the question of promotions. A promotion policy which produces a large percentage of pupils too young for their grade should be viewed with question in a school of mixed grades.

Another interesting feature of this table is the indication of a pupil in the fifth year in school whose age is but seven years. The lowest normal age for this grade would be ten years. It is the pupil of this type for which the present type of school organization makes no allowance.

May I express to the committee my appreciation of the spirit of the helpfulness and cordiality with which I have been received.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN G. BEAN.

HONOR ROLLS

MORSE PRIMARY

Roll of Honor, Jan. to June 1924

For two terms

Gordon Andrew
Marjorie Andrew

For one term

Charles Andrew
Francoise Auger
Ernest Colby
Shirley Pearl
Richard Spofford

Sept. 1924 to Jan. 1925

John Benson
Charles Andrew
Gordon Andrew
Juliette Auger
Grace Pellereti
Joseph Budnick
Elizabeth Cole
Edward Hopping
Shirley Pearl

MORSE GRAMMAR

Jan. to June 1924

Richard Pearl
Harriet Benson

Sept. 1924 to Jan. 1925

Congetta Pelleriti

HONOR ROLLS

AARON WOOD SCHOOL

Jan. 2 to Feb. 21, 1924

Mildred Bonvie

Mar. 3 to April 25, 1924

Donald E. Baker
Alice Bonvie
Thomas Bonvie
Mildred Bonvie
G. Louise Baker
Hazel I. Killam

May 5 to June 13, 1924

Hazel I. Killam
Mildred Bonvie
Donald E. Baker
G. Louise Baker

PALMER SCHOOL

First Term 1924

Marjorie D. Perley

Second Term 1924

Kenneth L. Ingalls
Frank A. Titus

Marjorie D. Perley

Third term 1924

Nancy Lockwood
Charles Maynard
Marjorie D. Perley
Elizabeth A. Sheldon

Fall term 1924

G. Louise Baker
Nancy Lockwood
Alice M. Bonvie
Calvin A. Titus

Elizabeth A. Sheldon

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Porter, Gene S. The white flag.....P-76w
Porter, Rebecca N. The rest hollow mystery.....P-82r
Prouty, Olive H. Stella Dallas.....P94s
Quick, Herbert The hawkeye.....Q3h
Richmond, Grace S. The Brown study.....R41b

Roberts, Cecil Scissore..... R54s
Rogers, Joel T. Once in a red moon.....R63o
Rohmer, Sax Fire-tongue..... R64f
Rolt-Wheeler, Francis The boy with the U. S. miners..... J-R65b
Roosevelt, Theodore African game trails 2 vols. 799-R67
Smith, Laura R. Happy manikin in Mannerstown J-S5h
Snyder, Rev. H. A. Boys and girls of the bible 220-J-S9
Stevenson, Burton E. The storm-center.....S4s
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NELLIE SPOFFORD,

Librarian.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Essex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Boxford in said County.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in Lincoln Hall, West Boxford, on Monday, the second day of March next, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose the following officers, viz:

Moderator for One Year.
One Selectman for Three Years.
One Assessor of Taxes for Three Years.
Treasurer for a term of Three Years.
Collector of Taxes for One Year.
School Committee, One for Three Years.
Board of Health, One for Three Years.
Board of Health, One for One Year. (To fill vacancy.)
Constables, Two for a term of One Year.
Tree Warden, One for a Term of One Year.
Surveyors of Highways, Two for a Term of One Year.
One Committee on School Funds.

Also to Vote YES or NO on the Following Question:

Shall Licenses be granted for the Sale of Certain Non-intoxicating beverages in this town for the current year?

The above named officers and questions will be voted upon one ballot.

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN AT 8.30 o'clock, A. M. and MAY CLOSE AT 12.30 o'clock P. M.

Article 2. To choose all other necessary Town Officers and Committees.

Article 3. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Article 4. To receive and act on the report of the Town Accountant.

Article 5. To take such action as may be deemed best relative to compensation of Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the several departments for the current year, to wit: Schools, Schoolhouses, Highways and bridges, Charities, Health department, Soldiers' relief, Street lighting, Moth suppression, State aid, Memorial Day, Forest warden, Town Hall, Election expenses, Reserve fund, Interest on temporary loans, Sealer of weights and measures, Town Accountant, Clerk's department, Registrars, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, Collector, Treasurer, Selectmen, and all other necessary and proper expenses arising during said year.

Article 7. To see what action the town will take in regard to unexpended appropriations.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take as to the recommendations of the Selectmen.

Article 9. To see what compensation the town will pay for labor in the several departments for the ensuing year.

Article 10. To appropriate money that may be refunded on account of dog licenses, to libraries or schools.

Article 11. To allow bills of charge and raise and appropriate money for paying the same.

Article 12. To take any action in regard to supplying fuel for the schools.

Acticle 13. To take such action as may be deemed best in regard to making roads passable when encumbered with snow.

Article 14. To determine when the taxes shall be committed to the Collector, also the manner of collecting the same.

Article 15. To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the Financial year.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to be used in the care and maintenance of the grounds around the Town Hall or take any other action in the matter.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to make use of any portion of the Principal or Interest of the "Town Farm Fund" for Public Libraries, or take any other action in the matter.

Article 18. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Polling place, Prect. 1 and 2, Lincoln Hall, West Boxford.

And you are directed to serve this warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting houses in said town, fourteen days at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Boxford, this twelfth day of February in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-five.

CHARLES PERLEY,
HARRY L. COLE,
CHARLES F. AUSTIN.
Selectmen of Boxford, Mass.

SUGGESTED BUDGET

For the various town officers such sums as shall pay the annual charges of 1924 as these are presented at the annnal town meeting, and the following sums are suggested as probably sufficient for several accounts and departments for the year 1925.

Treasurer	150 00
Collector	275 00
Accountant	225 00
Sealer of Weights & Measures	50 00
Forest Fire Warden	500 00
Tree Warden	200 00
Police	150 00
Dog Officer	25 00
Health and Sanitation	300 00
Street Lighting	1,000 00
Charities	2,000 00
State Aid	125 00
Soldiers' Relief	100 00
Memorial Day	75 00
Interest on loans	600 00
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth	500 00
Town Hall	150 00
Town Hall grounds	50 00
Bridges and Incidentals	250 00
Annual payment on State loan	1,000 00
Interest on same	212 50
Defending the abandonment of the Newburyport branch of the B. & M. R. R., as by vote of the town Jan. 19, 1925 in accordance with Chapter 40 of the General Laws.	400 00
Annual charge by the County of Essex for maintenance of the Tuberculosis Sanitarium	266 10

School Department Budget for 1925

Teachers			
2 at 1,200	2,400		
1 at 1,100	1,100		
1 at 1,000	1,000	4,500 00	
Supt. of Schools	600 00		
Transportation	150 00	750 00	
Super. Drawing and Music		525 00	
School Nurse		330 00	
Janitorship		400 00	
Doctor		50 00	
Attendance Officer		10 00	
Transportation			
East Boxford	1,600 00		
West Boxford	680 00		
Insurance	250 00	2,530 00	
Fuel	300 00		
Books and Stationery	300 00		
Janitor supplies	50 00		
Repairs	300 00		
Office Expenses	25 00	975 00	
Total appro. for Grammar Schools			10,070 00
High School Transportation			
North Andover	1,560 00		
Danvers	409 00	1,969 00	
High School Tuition			
North Andover	3,000 00		
Danvers	1,000 00		
Topsfield	225 00	4,225 00	
Georgetown School		100 00	
Total High and out of town		6,294 00	6,294 00
Sundries and Reserve			50 00
Total of Budget			16,414 00

In respect to the roads the Board of Selectmen wish to leave the amount of appropriation to the discussion and decision of the voters of the town, strongly urging that the town co-operate with the State and County as in previous years according to the provisions of the state law.

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TOGETHER WITH THE

Report of the School Committee and the

Various Town Officers

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1925

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1925

MODERATOR

Chester Killam

TOWN CLERK

John W. Parkhurst, one year

ASSISTANT TOWN CLERK

Amy G. Parkhurst

SELECTMEN

Harry L. Cole, one year
Charles Perley, two years
Joseph B. Matthews, three years

ASSESSORS OF TAXES

Charles Perley, one year
George B. Parkhurst, two years
Harry L. Cole, three years

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Selectmen

TREASURER

T. Perley Killam, three years

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Simeon S. Pearl, one year

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Emery L. Bradford

CONSTABLES

David Mighill

Frank H. Spofford

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS

Raymond Perley

David A. Anderson

FIELD DRIVERS

TREE WARDEN

Clarence E. Brown

DEPUTY TREE WARDEN

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

FENCE VIEWERS

BOARD OF HEALTH

Harry L. Cole, one year
Charles Perley, two years
Alice P. Austin, three years

FOREST WARDEN

Clarence E. Brown

DUPUTY FOREST WARDENS FOR 1925

Albert Curtis
Paul Killam
Harry L. Cole
Robert Parkhurst
Raymond Perley
Simeon Pearl

SPECIAL POLICE FOR 1925

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Clarence E. Brown

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William J. Greenler, D. V. M.

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTER

A. L. Whittier

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Charles Perley

MOWING TOWN LAWNS

Joe Sheldon

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

John T. Chadwick, Jr., one year
Robert B. Parkhurst, two years
Dimon Lockwood, three years

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

Walter I. Chadwick William B. Howe John W. Parkhurst

DOG OFFICER

David Mighill

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Poll $2.00 $29.70 on $1,000.00

Report of the Assessors for the year ending Dec. 31, 1925.

VALUATION, APRIL 1, 1925

Real estate, land	$385,545 00
Real estate, buildings	510,833 00
Personal estate	172,810 00
	$1,069,188 00

STATISTICS

Number of polls assessed	216
Number of persons assessed polls only	57
Number of residents assessed on property	248
Number or non-residents assessed on property	199
Corporations and others (resident and non-resident)	35
Number of dwellings	291
Number of acres of land	14,269
Number of horses	153
Number of cows	312
Number of neat cattle	75
Number of sheep	72
Number of swine	4
Number of fowl	5,866
Value of fowl	$7,356 00

December assessment

Real Estate	$100 00

H. L. COLE

TAX STATISTICS

Rate on $1,000, $29.70 Polls, $2.00 each

APPROPRIATIONS, MARCH 2, 1925

Selectmen	$284 00
Assessors	235 00
Overseers of Poor	37 50
Registrars	45 00
Board of Health	10 00
Treasurer	150 00
Collector	492 05
Accountant	225 00
Clerk	275 00
Sealer of Weights & Measures	75 00
Health and Sanitation	300 00
Forest Fire Warden	500 00
Fire truck	50 00
Tree Warden	200 00
Police	150 00
Dog Officer	25 00
Charities	2,500 00
State Aid	125 00
Soldiers' Relief	100 00
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth	500 00
Town Hall	150 00
Hall grounds	50 00
Memorial Day	75 00
Town Reports	140 75
Interest on loans	600 00
B. & M. R. R. abandonment	400 00
Tuberculosis Sanitarium maintenance cost	266 10
Payment on State loan	1,000 00
Interest on State loan	212 50
Amount carried forward,	*9,172 90*

Amount brought forward,	*9,172 90*
Highways:—	
East Parish	2,000 00
West Parish	2,000 00
Washington St.	1,000 00
Ipswich Road	1,000 00
Depot Road	500 00
Street lighting	1,000 00
Bridges and incidentals	250 00
Pathing snow	1,500 00
Schools	16,414 00
School furnace	1,000 00
Total appropriation	35,836 90
State tax	1,831 90
County tax	1,758 11
Overlay	35 02
Moth tax	112 36
Poll tax	432 00
	40,006 29
Estimated receipts	8,249 64
	31,756 65
December commitment	2 97
Total tax committed to collector for 1925	31,759 62

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1925		$860 64	
Received from S. S. Pearl, collector			
Tax 1920	3 75		
Moth	2 00		
Tax 1921	31 36		
Moth	2 00		
Tax 1922	168 01		
Moth	7 80		
Tax 1923	198 59		
Moth	60		
Poll	30 00		
Tax 1924	3,254 91		
Moth	8 60		
Poll	4 00		
Tax 1925	27,747 30		
Moth	103 44		
Poll	422 00		
Total receipts for taxes		31,984 36	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for details see Accountant's Report		12,251 11	
County of Essex, for details see Accountant's Report		2,193 26	
Refunds		249 54	
Miscellaneous		1,070 63	
Revenue Loans		20,000 00	
			68,609 54

PAYMENTS

Treasury Warrants issued by Town Accountant approved by Selectmen, for details see Accountant's Report	66,748 59
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1925	1,860 95
	68,609 54

T. PERLEY KILLAM, *Treasurer*

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Tax 1920			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1925		13 06	
Collected and paid Treasurer	3 75		
Abated by Assessors	8 33	12 08	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1926			98
Tax 1921			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1925		55 81	
Collected and paid Treasurer	31 36		
Abated by Assessors	10 37	41 73	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1926			14 08
Tax 1921 Moth			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1925		9 30	
Collected and paid Treasurer		2 00	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1926			7 30
Tax 1922			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1925		261 51	
Collected and paid Treasurer	168 01		
Abated by Assessors	11 48	179 49	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1926			82 02
Tax 1922 Moth			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1925		7 80	
Collected and paid Treasurer		7 80	
Tax 1922 Poll			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1925		13 00	
Abated by Assessors		13 00	
Tax 1923			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1925		226 35	
Collected and paid Treasurer	198 59		
Abated by Assessors	7 26	205 85	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1926			20 50
Amount carried forward,			*124 88*

Amount brought forward			*124 88*
Tax 1923 Moth			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1925		6 97	
Collected and paid Treasurer	60		
Abated by Assessors	6 37	6 97	
Tax 1923 Poll			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1925		55 00	
Collected and paid Treasurer	30 00		
Abated by Assessors	20 00	50 00	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1926			5 00
Tax 1924			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1925		3,551 67	
Collected and paid Treas.	3,254 91		
Abated by Assessors	43 26	3,298 17	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1926			253 50
Tax 1924 Moth			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1925		10 05	
Collected and paid Treasurer		8 60	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1926			1 45
Tax 1924 Poll			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1925		14 00	
Collected and paid Treasurer	4 00		
Abated by Assessors	10 00	14 00	
Tax 1925			
Personal and Real committed to me by Assessors		31,756 65	
Collected and paid Treasurer		27,747 30	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1926			4,009 35
Tax 1925 Moth			
Commitment		112 36	
Collected and paid Treasurer		103 44	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1926			8 92
Tax 1925 Poll			
Commitment		432 00	
Collected and paid Treasurer		422 00	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1926			10 00
Total Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1926			4,413 10

SIMEON S. PEARL, *Tax Collector.*

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of Boxford.

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit to you the following report of the details of the Department of Accounting for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1925.

RECEIPTS

TAXES		
Simeon S. Pearl		
Tax 1920		
Real and Personal		3 75
Moth		2 00
Tax 1921		
Real and Personal	31 36	
Moth	2 00	33 36
Tax 1922		
Real and Personal	168 01	
Moth	7 80	175 81
Tax 1923		
Real and Personal	198 59	
Moth	60	
Poll	30 00	229 19
Tax 1924		
Real and Personal	3,254 91	
Moth	8 60	
Poll	4 00	3,267 51
Tax 1925		
Real and Personal	27,747 30	
Moth	103 44	
Poll	422 00	28,272 74
Amount carried forward		*31,984 36*

Amount brought forward			*31,984 36*
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS			
For Highways			
General maintenance			
East Parish	1,912 50		
West Parish	1,912 50		
For construction			
Washington St.	1,000 00		
Ipswich Road	1,000 00	5,825 00	
School fund	252 59		
School Superintendent	386 66		
High School	1,681 72	2,320 97	
TAXES			
Income tax	3,554 12		
National Bank tax	152 48		
Corp. tax Public Service	92 05		
Corporation tax business	159 20	3,957 85	
Inspector Animals	25 00		
Soldiers' Exemption	2 29		
State Aid	120 00	147 29	12,251 11
COUNTY OF ESSEX			
For Highways			
Washington St.	1,000 00		
Ipswich Road	1,000 00	2,000 00	
Refund on Dog tax		193 26	2,193 26
REFUNDS			
Bager Mfg. Co.	2 36		
Dr. Niles, road work	20 00		
E. J. Holmes, fire	27 00		
B. & M. R. R. fire	100 50		
School Transportation	8 18		
Road Oil	91 50		249 54
Amount carried forward			*46,678 27*

Amount brought forward			*46,678 27*
MISCELLANEOUS			
Interest on taxes	180 38		
Interest on deposits	112 70		
Interest on School Fund	225 62		
Discount on loan	1 33	520 03	
Sealers fees	8 65		
Butchers license	50 00		
Rent of Morse House	20 00		
Rent of Town Hall	77 50		
Court fines	100 00		
Old plank	2 00		
Old stove	3 00		
Old shovel	1 50		
Killam & Curtis Cem. fund	4 85		
Sarah P. Perley fund	101 25		
Lund Estate, gravel	41 85		
Lund Estate, furniture	140 00	550 60	
			1,070 63
Revenue loans			20,000 00
Cash Dec. 31, 1924			860 64
Total Receipts			68,609 54

PAYMENTS

Selectmen		
Services 1924		
Charles Perley	85 00	
Harry L. Cole	144 00	
Charles F. Austin	55 00	284 00
Overseers of the Poor		
Charles Perley	5 00	
Harry L. Cole	27 50	
Charles F. Austin	5 00	37 50
Assessors		
Charles Perley	75 00	
Harry L. Cole	85 00	
G. B. Parkhurst	75 00	
Expense	16 32	251 32
Treasurer		
Estate of Wm. K. Cole	41 67	
T. Perley Killam	58 33	
Bond	40 00	
Expense	31 85	171 85
Town Clerk		
J. W. Parkhurst	243 78	
Expense	10 06	253 84
Collector		
Simeon S. Pearl for 1924	190 83	
" " " " 1925	239 88	
Bond	35 00	
Expense	62 38	528 09
Accountant		
Emery L. Bradford	200 00	
Expense	42 62	242 62
Amount carried forward		*1,769 22*

Amount brought forward		*1,769 22*
ELECTIONS AND REGISTRATION		
Registrars	45 00	
Election lists	20 25	65 25
POLICE		
David Mighill	65 75	
Frank H. Spofford	59 37	125 12
C. E. Brown Sealer W. M.	25 00	
Insurance of Weights	23 04	
Nickel plating	14 34	62 38
Dog Officer		25 00
HEALTH AND SANITATION		
Care Miss Nellie Spofford at Peter Bent Brigham Hospital	255 29	
W. J. Greenler, Insp. Animals	50 00	
A. L. Whittier, " Slaughter	208 00	
Chas. Perley, Board Health	10 00	523 29
MOTH		
Superintendent	73 80	
Labor	390 40	
Teams	78 00	
Gasoline	14 50	
Expense	90	557 60
TREE WARDEN		
Labor		141 20
FIRE WARDEN		
Forest and other fires		
See Warden's report, page 23		806 91
Amount carried forward		*4,075 97*

Amount brought forward			*4,075 97*
CHARITIES AND SOLDIERS' BENEFITS			
Support of Miss Lund			
Services Mrs. Webster	649 30		
" Mrs. Knight	171 42		
L. E. Colby, groceries	270 36		
Fuel	87 45		
C. D. Sellers	114 00	1,292 53	
Support of Quimby, 1924		547 50	
Support of Goodale, "		782 14	
Support of Fowler		263 00	2,885 17
STATE AID			
Mrs. Hovey		72 00	
Mrs. Kimball		48 00	120 00
SOLDIERS' RELIEF AND MILITARY AID			
Mrs. Hovey		201 00	
F. H. Spofford		100 00	301 00
SARAH P. PERLEY FUND			
Mrs. Mary A. Hovey		25 00	
Miss Grace Brown		76 25	101 25
PUBLIC BUILDINGS			
Town Hall			
Janitor	28 00		
Fuel	42 00		
Light	14 14		
Rent Lincoln Hall	35 00		
Ins. Morse House	10 76		
Halliards	5 70		
Lawn mower	1 00		
Town Hall grounds	11 20		147 80
Amount carried forward			*7,631 19*

Amount brought forward,			*7,631 19*
LIBRARIES			
West Boxford Lib. Assn.		96 63	
East Boxford Lib. Assn.		96 63	193 26
MEMORIAL DAY			
A. K. Nason, expenses			75 00
HIGHWAYS			
EAST PARISH			
General maintenance			
Labor & gravel	2,616 11		
Oil	1,934 53		
Incidental	49 13	4,599 77	
IPSWICH ROAD			
Labor & gravel	2,854 01		
Oil	126 60		
Petition	19 62	3,000 23	
BRIDGES			
Labor & material		253 35	
WEST PARISH			
General maintenance			
Labor & gravel	2,879 33		
Oil	900 17		
Road machine	10 50		
Culvert	70 32	3,860 32	
WASHINGTON ST.			
Labor & gravel	2,898 40		
Coal	9 90		
Petition	19 63		
Stakes	3 25		
Culvert	48 00		
Tools	20 95	3,000 13	
Amount carried forward		*14,713 80*	*7,899 45*

Amount brought forward		*14,713 80*	*7,899 45*
PATHING SNOW			
East Parish			
Labor & teams	215 90		
West Parish			
Labor & teams	347 48		
Skelley Motor Co.	400 00	963 38	
STREET LIGHTING			
Annual Bonus	367 50		
Street lights	460 00	827 50	16,504 68

SCHOOLS

TEACHING			
Catherine McInnes	1,160 00		
Louise Stacey	600 00		
Esther K. Perley	600 00		
Alice E. Riggs	940 00		
Olive L. Shaw	480 00		
Florence A. Clarke	500 00		
Mary N. Cleaveland	233 75		
Esther H. Barry	150 00		
Helen Farley	84 00	4,747 75	
SUPERINTENDENCE			
Stephen G. Bean	580 02		
Transp. & expenses	146 46	726 48	
TUITION			
North Andover	2,367 50		
Danvers	529 39		
Georgetown	16 00		
Topsfield	159 72	3,072 61	
Amount carried forward		*8,546 84*	*24,404 13*

Amount brought forward		*8,546 84*	*24,404 13*
TRANSPORTATION			
High School			
Geo. E. Carver	1,527 00		
Howard F. Butler	40 90		
Railroad fares	106 34	1,674 24	
Grade School			
Geo. E. Carver	646 00		
L. L. Ingalls	920 00		
T. P. Killam	776 00	2,342 00	
TRANSPORTATION INSURANCE			
Geo. E. Carver	113 23		
L. L. Ingalls	100 63		
T. P. Killam	100 63	314 49	
MISCELLANEOUS			
Janitors	462 00		
Nurse	337 75		
Physician	50 00		
Books	143 83		
Supplies	274 89		
Fuel	396 47		
Repairs			
New furnance	889 07		
Graveling	83 40		
General	676 15		
Incidentals	15 43	3,328 99	16,206 56
AGENCY			
State tax		1,800 00	
State audit		30 90	
Penalty		1 00	
County tax		1,758 11	3,590 01
Amount carried forward			*44,200 70*

Amount brought forward,		*44,200 70*
MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS		
Revenue loan	20,000 00	
Interest on loan	553 36	20,553 36
STATE LOAN FOR SANITARIUM		
Payment on principle	1,000 00	
Interest	213 41	1,213 41
MISCELLANEOUS		
Town Reports 1924	140 75	
Fire Truck	47 54	
Boston & Maine R.R. aband. case	318 88	
Essex County Tuberculosis Sanitarium annual maint.	266 10	
The Old Cemetery	3 00	
Curtis & Killam Cemetery	4 85	781 12
Cash balance Dec. 31, 1925		1,860 95
		68,609 54

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1925

Assets

Pearl, Simeon S., Collector			
Tax 1920		98	
Tax 1921	14 08		
Moth	7 30	21 38	
Tax 1922		82 02	
Tax 1923	20 50		
Poll	5 00	25 50	
Tax 1924	253 50		
Moth	1 45	254 95	
Tax 1925	4,009 35		
Poll	10 00		
Moth	8 92	4,028 27	4,413 10
Cash balance Dec. 31, 1925			1,860 95
			6,274 05

Liabilities

Overlay 1920	136 51	
Overlay 1921	110 87	
Overlay 1923	612 43	
Overlay 1924	46 36	
Overlay 1925	35 02	941 19
Excess and Deficiency		5,332 86
		6,274 05

RECAPITULATION OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1925

	Appropriation	Transfer from E & D	Received from State	Received from County	Refunds	Oil for Roads	From Lund Estate	Income from Fund	Tax Levy	Total	Expended	Balance	Carried to E & D
GENERAL GOVERNMENT													
Selectmen	284 00									284 00	284 00		
Overseers of Poor	37 50									37 50	37 50		
Assessors	235 00	16 32								251 32	251 32		
Treasurer	150 00	21 85								171 85	171 85		
Clerk	275 00									275 00	253 84	21 16	21 16
Collector	492 05	36 04								528 09	528 09		
Accountant	225 00	17 62								242 62	242 62		
Registrars	45 00									45 00	45 00		
Elections		20 25								20 25	20 25		
Sealer of Weights and Measures	75 00									75 00	62 38	12 62	12 62
Police	150 00									150 00	125 12	24 88	24 88
Dog Officer	25 00									25 00	25 00		
Tree Warden	200 00									200 00	141 20	58 80	58 80
Fire Warden	500 00	179 41			127 50					806 91	806 91		
Health and Sanitation	310 00									310 00	268 00	42 00	42 00
Board of Health		255 29								255 29	255 29		
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth	500 00	57 60								557 60	557 60		
SCHOOLS													
For details see pages 19-20	17,414 00	1,255 00			8 18					18,677 18	16,206 56	2,462 44	2,470 62
HIGHWAYS													
General maintenance													
East Parish	2,500 00	83 91	1,912 50		23 86	79 50				4,599 77	4,599 77		
West Parish	2,000 00		1,912 50			12 00				3,924 50	3,860 32	64 18	64 18
Bridges and Incidentals	250 00	3 35								253 35	253 35		
Street lighting	1,000 00									1,000 00	827 50	172 50	172 50
Pathing snow	1,500 00									1,500 00	963 38	536 62	536 62
Special construction													
Washington Street	1,000 00	13	1,000 00	1,000 00						3,000 13	3,000 13		
Ipswich Road	1,000 00	23	1,000 00	1,000 00						3,000 23	3,000 23		
CHARITIES													
Support of Poor	2,500 00	343 32					181 85			3,025 17	2,885 17	140 00	140 00
State Aid	125 00									125 00	120 00	5 00	5 00
Soldiers' Relief	100 00	101 00								201 00	201 00		
Military Aid		100 00								100 00	100 00		
AGENCY													
State Tax									1,800 00	1,800 00	1,800 00		
State Audit									30 90	30 90	30 90		
Penalty									1 00	1 00	1 00		
County tax									1,758 11	1,758 11	1,758 11		
MISCELLANEOUS													
Revenue loans									20,000 00	20,000 00	20,000 00		
Interest on loans	600 00									600 00	553 36	46 64	46 64
Town Reports 1924	140 75									140 75	140 75		
Town Hall	150 00									150 00	136 60	13 40	13 40
Town Hall grounds	50 00									50 00	11 20	38 80	38 80
Libraries				193 26						193 26	193 26		
Memorial Day	75 00									75 00	75 00		
Fire Truck	50 00									50 00	47 54	2 46	2 46
B. & M. R. R. abandonment	400 00									400 00	318 88	81 12	81 12
"Old Cemetery"		3 00								3 00	3 00		
Curtis and Killam Cemetery								4 85		4 85	4 85		
Sarah P. Perley Fund								101 25		101 25	101 25		
Tuberculosis sanitarium annual maintenance	266 10									266 10	266 10		
Sinking Fund for State loan for Sanitarium	1,000 00									1,000 00	1,000 00		
Interest on State loan	212 50	91								213 41	213 41		
									Total Expenditures		66,748 59		

REPORT OF FOREST FIRE WARDEN

	Cost of extinguishing	Acres burned	Amount of damage
Austin fire	5 50		
Winslow and Noyes fire	252 75	56	7,100 00
Railroad fire	100 50	55	350 00
Rowley Road fire	34 00	10	50 00
North Andover fire	196 50		
Dorman fire	12 75	1/2	10 00
Conley Bros. fire	5 50		
Dick fire 1924	50 00		
Burning Brush	19 60		
	677 10		
Supplies	54 81		
Salary of Fire Warden including expenses	75 00		
	806 91		

CLARENCE E. BROWN

Forest Fire Warden

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER FOR 1925

Whole number of dogs in both Parishes		137
Number of male dogs	97	
Number of female dogs	33	
Number of dogs recorded elsewhere	7	
		137
Number of dogs in First Parish		77
Number of male dogs	50	
Number of female dogs	20	
Number of dogs recorded elsewhere	7	
		77
Number of dogs in Second Parish		60
Number of male dogs	47	
Number of female dogs	13	
		60
Collected by Dog Officer	259 00	
Collected by Town Clerk	100 00	
Collected in all		359 00

There has been six complaints made to the dog officer, three dogs were killed by Autos, one was shot, four dogs have been buried. Three of these dogs were found dead by the officer in bags and complaint made to him who buried the dogs.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID MIGHILL,

Dec. 31, 1925 Dog Officer.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 1925

BIRTHS

Date of Birth	*Child's Name*	*Parents' Names*
1925		
Feb. 4.	Mona Lillian Bain	Charles Bain Cathleen Lillian (Wilson)
Feb. 18.	———	———
Mar. 10.	William Edward Zibell	James Franklin Phelps Zibell Eleanor Pearl (Ingalls)
Mar. 31.	———	——— ———
July 4.	Robert Edmund Hebb	Robert Bass Hebb Josephine (Carver)
Aug. 14.	Barbara Burgson	Joseph Burgson Ruth M. (Gemmell)
Aug. 24.	Nancy Eleanor Killam	Dana F. Killam Rachael (Foster)
Sept. 9.	Norma Lee Titcomb	Maurice Titcomb Mildred R. (Cole)
Sept. 30.	Gladys Katherine Bonvie	Thomas Henry Bonvie Anna Roberta (Harris)
Oct. 9.	Walter Burton Hopping	Edward James Hopping Eva Belle (Moulton)
Oct. 30.	Frank Jacob Maynard	Charles A. Maynard Helen G. (Flanders)
Dec. 1.	Marion Paradis	Edilbert P. Paradis Mary C. (Carver)

MARRIAGES

Date	*Names*	*Residence*
1925		
Mar. 21.	Guy Ensley Watson	Topsfield
	Hazel Minerva Plummer	Amherst, N. H.

May 30.	Ronald Harry Winde	Melrose
	Alice Irene Gillis	Boxford
June 11.	Roger Masury Pierce	Beverly
	Elinor Emily Roundy	Beverly
June 23.	Arthur Raymond Melvin	Hamilton
	Blanche Frances Callahan	Essex
July 18.	Arthur J. Whyte	Topsfield
	Jeane F. Sanborn	Worcester
Aug. 10.	Winthrop P. Haynes	Paris, France
	Anna H. Morse	Boston
Aug. 22.	Charles B. Carleton	Boxford
	Catherine T. Shannon	Haverhill
Sept. 12.	Nils Robert Gustafson	Lynn
	Gladys Cynthia Moore	Boxford
Oct. 10.	Clyde G. Lytton	Boxford
	Mary S. Baer	Boxford
Nov. 15.	Charles Shepard Fowler	North Andover
	Priscilla Frances Austin	Milton, Mass.
Dec. 12.	Alexander Johnson Price	New York City
	Rosamond Gordon Ingalls	Boxford
Dec. 30.	Raymond Pearl	Boxford
	Clara Elizabeth Killam	Boxford

DEATHS

Date		*Age*		
1925	*Names*	*Y.*	*M.*	*D.*
Jan. 10.	Mary Bloom Manny	79	10	28
Mar. 10.	William E. Zibell	4 1/2 hours		
Feb. 27.	Lydia H. (G.) Stevens	82	1	11
Mar. 21.	Elvira Jane Pearl	96	11	8
Apr. 3.	James M. Crosby	17		33
Mar. 21.	———	—	—	—
Apr. 8.	Harriet A. Herrick	82		19
Feb. 21.	George W. Freeman	56	11	29
May 28.	Rosella W. Rawson	53	10	
June 23.	Catherine Ingalls	22	1	2

July 10.	Everett N. Milne	19	1	3
Aug. 2.	Abbie R. Gage	84	7	12
Sept. 5.	Branwell Bronte	76		
Oct. 26.	John K. Pearl	83	9	23
Nov. 13.	Samuel Frank Ayers	78	3	4
Nov. 19.	N. Nellie Sawyer	77	7	28
Dec. 8.	John Maiden	80		

DOG LICENSES

Whole number licensed in 1925, 130		
97 dogs at $2.00	$194 00	
33 dogs at 5.00	165 00	359 00
Clerk's fees 130 dogs at 20 cents	26 00	
Amt. sent County Treasurer	333 00	359 00

HUNTING LICENSES

19 Resident Combination at $2.00	$38 00	
15 Resident Hunting and Trapping at 1.50	22 50	
6 Resident Fisherman's at 1.00	6 00	
1 Alien Fisherman's at 2.00	2 00	
1 Non-Resident Combination at 10.00	10 00	78 50
42 fees at 25 cents	10 50	
Amt. sent Div. of Fisheries and Game	68 00	78 50

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. PARKHURST,

Town Clerk.

REPORT ON THE SEVERAL TRUST FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS

TOWN FARM FUND

Merchants Trust Co. Sav. Dept. on deposit Jan. 1, 1925	2,848 27	
Interest	63 52	2,911 79
Withdrawn by Treasurer and deposited in Lawrence Sav. Bank to credit of Boxford Public Library fund		2,836 72
Balance Jan. 1, 1926		75 07
Lawrence Savings Bank On deposit Jan. 1, 1925	2,653 42	
Interest on U. S. Bonds for 1925	796 87	
Interest from Savings Bank	63 00	3,513 29
Withdrawn by Treasurer and deposited to Lawrence Sav. Bank to credit of Boxford Public Library fund		2,163 28
Balance Jan. 1, 1926		1,350 01

PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND

Withdrawn by the Treasurer from Lawrence Sav. Bank interest account on U. S. Bonds	2,163 28
Withdrawn by the Treasurer from Merchants Trust Co. Savings Dept.	2,836 72
	5,000 00

This sum has been deposited in the Boxford Public Library fund account in the Lawrence Savings Bank.

TOWN SCHOOL FUND

There are on deposit in Savings Banks the following sums:—

Haverhill Savings Bank	1,000 00	
Lawrence Savings Bank	1,000 00	
Warren Five Cents Sav. Bank	1,000 00	
Essex Savings Bank	1,000 00	4,000 00

Interest on these deposits has been collected and paid into the Town Treasury as per the Accountant's report.

W. B. HOWE
J. W. PARKHURST,
W. I. CHADWICK.

SARAH P. PERLEY FUND

The article in will of Sarah P. Perley is as follows:

"After the decease of my said neice, Mary Ellen Perley, I give into the hands of the Selectmen of the town of Boxford, then holding said office, and their successors in said office, forever, the sum of Two Thousand Dollars, the same to be known as the 'Sarah P. Perley Fund,' the same to be securely invested and the income therefrom to be annually distributed by said Selectmen to the worthy and needy widows and single women residents of the part of said Boxford known as the East Parish."

This sum of Two thousand dollars (2,000.00) has been paid over by the Executor of the will and is deposited in the Andover Savings Bank. The income thereon to be disbursed according to the provisions of the aforesaid will.

Andover Sav. Bank Jan. 1, 1925	2,000 00	
Interest for 1924	101 25	
Interest for 1925	101 25	2,202 50
Interest withdrawn and paid into town treasury and disbursed as per report of Town Accountant		101 25
Balance in bank Jan. 1, 1926		2,101 25

CHAS. PERLEY,
HARRY L. COLE,
JOSEPH B. MATTHEWS.
Selectmen

SURPLUS WAR BONUS FUND

In November, 1924 the Commonwealth of Massachusetts paid over to the Town the sum of $383.47. This has been deposited in the Danvers Savings Bank and is subject to disbursement according to the provisions of law.

Chapter 480, is an act to provide for the return to the cities and towns of certain surplus funds collected to pro vide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany, and specifically provides that the money received shall be held as a special fund to be appropriated only for the purpose of paying indebtedness or for purposes for which a city or town may borrow money as specified in Sections 7 and 8 of Chapter 44, General Laws. Receipts from the Commonwealth on this account should not be credited to estimated receipts, but should be held as a special fund until appropriated for one of the purposes specified by Chapter 480. Any other use of this money is illegal.

Danvers Sav. Bank Jan. 1, 1925	383 47	
Interest for 1925	13 52	
Balance in Danvers Sav. Bank Jan. 1, 1926		396 99

To be disbursed as specified in Section 7 and 8 of Chapter 44, General Laws.

T. PERLEY KILLAM,
Treasurer

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL REFUND

Danvers Sav. Bank, Mar. 3, 1925	1,940 88	
Interest for 1925	43 65	
Balance in Danvers Sav. Bank Jan. 1, 1925		1,984 53

T. P. KILLAM,
Treasurer

CURTIS AND KILLAM CEMETERY FUND

Danvers Sav. Bank Jan. 1, 1925	136 47	
Interest for 1925	6 44	142 91
Withdrawn for care of cemetery		4 85
Balance in Danvers Sav. bank Jan. 1, 1926		138 06

T. PERLEY KILLAM,
Treasurer

STATE LOAN

For Tuberculosis Sanitarium
Building fund
Due Commonwealth of Mass.

Jan. 1, 1925	5,000 00
Paid Aug. 7, 1925	1,000 00
Due Com. of Mass., Jan. 1, 1926	4,000 00

I have checked up with the several banks where these various funds are deposited, and they are as stated in the details above.

EMERY L. BRADFORD,
Town Accountant

There are on deposit in the safety vault at the Merchants Trust Co. Lawrence, United States Fourth Liberty Bonds, par value $18,750.00.

There are Eighteen One thousand dollar bonds
One Five hundred dollar bond
Two One hundred dollar bonds
One Fifty dollar bond

T. PERLEY KILLAM,
Treasurer

LIST OF UNPAID TAXES JAN. 1, 1926

Tax 1920		
C. Hale et. al.	82	
Lewis Howe	16	98
Tax 1921		
Eva A. Bradford	9 25	
Lewis Howe	19	
A. K. Jenkins	93	
J. L. Saltonstall	93	
H. or D. Albert Webster	2 78	14 08
1921 Moth		
Eva A. Bradford		7 30
Tax 1922		
Eva A. Bradford	20 50	
Lewis Howe	21	
C. H. Hale	1 03	
A. K. Jenkins	1 03	
Eugene Redmond	54 84	
J. L. Saltonstall	4 10	
Wm. Welch	31	82 02
Tax 1923		
Matilda B. Lund	2 45	
Alpha and Velma Walker	13 29	
Lewis Howe	22	
C. H. Hale	1 10	
A. K. Jenkins	1 10	
J. L. Saltonstall	4 40	
Wm. Welch	34	22 90
1923 Poll		
Barney Jankoski		5 00

Tax 1924		
Benj. Cohen	108 76	
H. B. Gleezen	61 88	
A. C. Lyon	24 19	
Lewis Howe	26	
C. H. Hale	1 26	
A. K. Jenkins	1 26	
J. L. Saltonstall	5 00	
W. Welch	38	
J. G. Chandler	50 52	253 51
1924 Moth tax		1 45
Taxes 1925		
E. Budnick	34 54	
Fannie Budnick	74 25	
Ezra N. Baker	90 59	
T. H. Bonvie	1 43	
Emily L. A. Berry et al	63 86	
Maud D. Butler	237 61	
W. B. Carlton	3 72	
J. G. Chandler	191 36	
Benjamin Cohen	120 29	
Morris Cohen	2 23	
G. W. Flanders	1 49	
C. Gardner	61 78	
Annie B. Gardner	148 50	
S. A. Gurley	21 98	
H. B. Gleezen Estate	73 51	
L. L. Ingalls	51 38	
D. A. Kirkland	59 40	
John J. and L. Killam	8 91	
A. P. Lyons	67 12	
C. M. Moulton	48 69	
J. A. McLaughlin	8 91	
Eva B. McLaughlin	10 40	
Amount carried forward	*1,381 95*	

Amount brought forward,	*1,381 95*
Flora A. McLaughlin	60 86
C. A. Maynard	21 09
Clayton Nelson	8 91
J. K. Pearl	95 04
Rose M. Petit	8 91
C. A. Parker	75 74
O. B. Reynolds	5 94
Ada M. Titus	51 98
Frank Titus	13 37
A. D. and J. G. Whittier	39 51
J. C. Whiting	91 04
Alpha and Velma Walker	34 16
Alpha E. Walker	1 49
Nellie M. Winslow	51 98
Otis Andrews	1 49
Geo. F. Averill	3 56
Geo. L. Adams Estate	1 49
Awkol Aznavoorian	209 39
John Barker	23 76
Conley Bros.	20 05
Dana and Albert Currier	2 97
Mrs. Geo. E. Day	15 15
W. R. Dorman	7 43
Nat Dummer	4 46
Eliz. A. Eames	11 88
Jessie Fuller	3 86
Jas. J. Halpin and Herman H. West	34 75
Lewis Howe	30
C. H. Hale et. al.	1 49
Oscar E. Hilbert	132 17
H. H. Jones	30
H. M. Jenkins	20 79
A. K. Jenkins	1 49
H. P. Kelsey	646 72
Amount carried forward	*3,085 47*

Amount brought forward	*3,085 47*	
Minnie E. Locke	11 88	
Wm. Merrill	14 85	
Sarah L. Prest	29 70	
Philip Paradis	17 82	
J. M.	10 10	
Delia M. Stickney	7 72	
Ada J. Staples	2 97	
Salem Cadet Association	252 45	
H. E. Sylvester	43 81	
J. L. Saltonstall	5 94	
H. W. and A. I. Towne	5 94	
Maurice Titcomb	1 49	
L. B. Twitchell	3 56	
E. Paradis	2 97	
Minnie Locke	1 88	
J. A. Andrews	200 50	
Melvin and Beatrice Hicks	27 92	
Matilda C. Barker	52 57	
Edith C. Davenport	92 07	
A. K. Davenport	8 91	
J. A. Day	32 67	
Lewis Hale	80 19	
Stura Kazimies	14 85	
R. W. Means Paid out check protested	130 38	4,138 61
Tax 1925 Moth		
Emily L. H. Berry et. al.	20	
Benj. Cohen	60	
Annie B. Gardner	60	
H. B. Gleezen Est.	60	
A. D. and J. G. Whittier	20	
J. C. Whitney	40	
Alpha and Velma Walker	40	
Nellie M. Winslow	95	
H. Agnavoorian	80	4 75

LIST OF TAXES PAID SINCE JAN. 1 1926

Maurice Titcomb	$1 49	
John G. Chandler (tax 1924)	50 52	
Lawson B. Twitchell	3 56	
Edelbert Paradis	2 97	
Minnie E. Locke	1 88	
John A. Andrew	201 70	
Melvin and Beatrice Hicks	27 92	
Mathilde C. Barker	52 97	
Edith C. Davenport	92 07	
Alfred K. Davenport	8 91	
John A. Day	32 67	
Lewis Hale	80 79	
Kazimies Stura	14 85	
George F. Averell	3 56	
Dana A. Kirkland	59 40	
James C. Whitney	91 44	
Jessie Fuller, Est	3 86	
Ada J. Staples	2 97	
George L. Adams, Est.	1 49	
Frank Titus	13 37	
Ada M. Titus	51 98	
Sarah L. Prest	29 70	
William Merrill	14 85	
William R. Dorman	7 43	
Aubrey E. Lyon (Poll 1925)	2 00	854 35

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1925

THE PERKINS PRESS, TOPSFIELD, MASS., 1926

SCHOOL OFFICIALS

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

DIMON LOCKWOOD, Chairman Topsfield	Term expires 1928
ROBERT B. PARKHURST, Secretary Boxford	Term expires 1927
JOHN T. CHADWICK, JR. West Boxford	Term expires 1926

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

STEPHEN G. BEAN,
40 Central Street
Somerville, Mass.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

FRANK H. SPOFFORD,
West Boxford

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

DR. RAYMOND R. ROOT,
Georgetown

SCHOOL NURSE

MRS. FLORENCE BARKER,
72a Verons Street
E. Lynn, Mass.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

First Term. Jan. 4th—Feb. 26th.
Recess Feb. 27th—March 6th.
Second Term. March 8th—April 30th.
Recess May 1st—May 8th.
Third Term. May 10th—June 18th.
Fall Term. Sept. 8th—Dec. 23rd.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Feb. 22nd, April 19th, October 12th, Thanksgiving Recess Nov. 25th and 26th.

GRADUATES, 1925

MORSE SCHOOL

Marion C. McGregor
Norman K. Cole
David B. Parker
Harriett E. Benson
Edmund R. Belville
C. David Sellers

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Repairs have been completed in the Morse School, a new heater being installed, ventilating flues put in order and interior cleaned and Painted.

The Palmer School has been painted outside, a new floor has been laid in the classroom and entries, and other much needed repairs have been completed, including the re-grading of the yard with gravel. Thanks is given the local Visiting Nurse Asso. for their assistance in the installation of a sink in this building for the convenience and health of the scholars.

The Wood School has received such repairs as were necessary to its being placed in commission, including the purchase of a new stove.

By reason of the Vote made at the Special Town Meeting of June 16th, it became necessary to open the Wood School and transport the first four grades there for instruction. Conditions at the Palmer School where all eight grades were previously being taught became too crowded and as the Town failed to remedy these conditions by either building a new school house or moving to a central location the present buildings the School Committee had no choice but to make use of such buildings as exist.

In the School Budget submitted for 1926, all items have been carefully estimated by the Committee as low as a prudent allowance for the unexpected expenses which always develop during the year, will permit. An increase has been made in the allowance for teachers salaries, as experience of recent years has proven that this increase is necessary to secure desired service.

The Committee have met with splendid co-operation by Superintendent, Teachers, Buss Operators, Supervisors, Nurse and Janitors and desire to avail themselves of this opportunity to thank each and all for their interest and service.

Respectfully submitted,

DIMON LOCKWOOD,
ROBERT B. PARKHURST,
JOHN T. CHADWICK, JR.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Committee of Boxford

Gentlemen: The following is my second annual report as Superintendent of Schools of the Town of Boxford.

Since such a report covers a fiscal year from January first to December thirty-first it necessarily includes parts of two school years in which conditions may be widely different. Such differences depend on changes in the number and location of the school population, differences in the teaching personnel and changed housing conditions, all of which have occurred during the past year.

Building Changes

Although our hopes of a year ago failed of consummation, changes were made resulting in improved conditions for the children of the Palmer School and those now in the Wood School. The plan of last year whereby all eight grades were housed in the Palmer School proved a very unsatisfactory arrangement from the educational standpoint. Now that the primary grades have been removed to the Wood School each teacher is under a much less severe nerve strain. It is greatly to the credit of Miss Perley and Miss Riggs that they were able to get as good results from last year's work as they did.

The re-opening of and removal to the Aaron Wood School made certain repairs necessary in order to render this building habitable. A new stove of novel design, for school use, was secured and is proving much more of a success than the writer anticipated. Now this school building, while not an ideal place to conduct school, is at least warm and comfortable. It would be an excellent thing if most of the windows on the street side of this building could be removed and placed in the opposite wall so as to leave the minimum space between the windows on the left

of the pupils. It would also be fine to have all of the openings on this side much nearer the floor.

The Palmer School building has also been improved by new flooring and re-arrangement of the seats and is now an excellent example of the old type one room building at its best. It is still open to the same criticism as to lighting as applies to the Aaron Wood School. If these buildings are to continue in use indefinitely immediate provision should be made by the town for funds to make the lighting right, not only in these two buildings, but in both rooms in the Gardner Morse School at West Boxford. Unilateral lighting is everywhere recognized as a prime requisite of a properly planned schoolroom.

Almost a transformation was wrought on the interior of the Gardner Morse School by the judicious use of paint. The rooms in this building seem fifty per cent lighter since the re-decorating was done. The repairs on the heating plant are also proving a blessing in the total removal of the smoke and gas nuisance. The planning of the heating ducts in this building was and is all wrong, in my humble opinion. It does not seem good heating practice which permits one room to rob the other of its heat simply because it was simpler to put in only one hot air duct for two rooms one over the other. Naturally the upper room gets practically all of the heat unless the room heat vent is almost totally closed. Meanwhile the lower room is not safely habitable on a cold day except with a dangerous forcing of the heating plant. A strenuous attempt was made to provide entirely new heating apparatus of a different type for this school but was blocked by requirements of the inspectors.

As stated above the lighting is wrong in this building and is the most needed improvement at the present time.

Teacher Changes

Two new teachers are on the staff as a result of the usual summer upset due the moderate salary schedule we can support.

Miss Perley gave up her position in the Palmer School to accept an attractive offer from the Georgetown authorities and was replaced by Miss Olive L. Shaw.

Miss Shaw is a teacher of excellent training and experience, coming to us from West Bridgewater with excellent recommendations. She has fully justified her reputation and is proving a very valuable member of the staff. WORK is a familiar word in the Palmer School vocabulary these days. It is good in these days to see some good old fashioned study being done and intelligently directed. All too frequently we see teachers doing most of the work in a schoolroom, largely because it is the easier way to get through the day without friction.

In the Gardner Morse School at West Boxford, Miss Florence Clarke is the present incumbent of the Principalship. This position proved a very difficult one to fill satisfactorily. Prior to the engagement of Miss Clarke two other teachers had accepted the position only to resign later, one in fact so much later that it was in the last week of vacation that by good fortune the Superintendent came in contact with Miss Clarke to fill the then vacant position.

In Miss Clarke we have a teacher of the requisite training with the added advantage of some years of varied and successful experience in systems with high standards. Miss Clarke has strengthened the work in the fundamentals very materially and bringing her charges much nearer to proper standards than she found them. This was very necessary as in this school a certain laxity had crept in and the children were not fully up to grade. It is expected that under Miss Clarke the end of the year will find a very great improvement.

In connection with the work of Miss Clarke it should be said for the better understanding of parents that a complete re-organization was found necessary in the seventh and eighth grades. Perhaps it would be more accurate to say that the change was in the eighth grade since there

was no seventh grade at the start of the present school year. This probably came about through the mistaken idea of some earlier teacher that it would be easier to unite two classes into one by a process of double promotion of pupils who were really not ready for the step. It was decided that the best proceedure was to find the weakness of the various individuals and strengthen them rather than attempt to prepare the whole grade for a promotion which some of them surely could not make. An examination will be given in June as a basis for selection of those who are ready for high school.

Pupil Changes

Here there has been little change as to personnel other than the annual addition of a few beginners. There have been some losses so that the number of pupils in school seems very small.

The following tables show the number and location of pupils by school and grade and age and grade. These figures are as of December thirty-first.

SCHOOL AND GRADE DISTRIBUTION

	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	
Aaron Wood	6	4	8	5					23
Palmer					3	2	6	6	17
Morse Primary	4	3	6	4					17
Morse Grammar					2	6		8	16
Total	10	7	14	9	5	8	6	14	73

It is to be noted that a larger number will probably leave at the close of this school year than was entered in the Fall, and that all grades above the third are very much smaller. This is particularly noticeable in the West Parish. If it were not for the fact that one teacher cannot satisfactorily teach eight grades in a room, present numbers would hardly justify two teachers in this school. But with the demands of the present day education and its multiplicity of activities the present plan should be followed.

AGE AND GRADE DISTRIBUTION

	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	T	UA	%	OA	%
I	1	5	4												10	1	10	0	0
II		1	4	2											7	1	12	0	0
III				9	4	1									14	0	0	1	7
IV				1	6	1	1								9	1	11	1	11
V						3	2								5	0	0	0	0
VI						2	5	1							8	2	25	0	0
VII						1	2	3							6	3	50	0	0
VIII					1			2	4	4	2		1		14	3	21	3	21
	1	6	8	12	11	8	10	6	4	4	2		1		73	11	14pl5		7–

The most significant feature of this tabulation is the relation of UA or accelerated pupils as compared to the OA or retarded group. Taken in consideration with known facts concerning the graduation in some of the classes it shows lack of care on the part of teachers in enforcing the standards of promotion.

It should be understood by parents that when a child fails of promotion it is no kindness on the part of a teacher to place the child in the next class without the proper preparation for the work of that class. Better a firm foundation than a tottering superstructure.

Special Activities

The work in Music has been carried on by Miss Cleveland according to her usual plan and progresses as well as can be expected. It is especially good in the Palmer School thanks to some good strong leading voices.

Drawing has been handicapped in a measure by the loss of Miss Barry. Transportation has been a stumbling block in the way of Miss Farley who has had to give up the regular visits during the Winter. The work will probably be conducted by correspondence.

The Health Program has been under the direction of the same School Nurse and carried out in her usual faithful manner. She has secured from the Visiting Nurse Association the installation of a sink in the Palmer School so that noon lunches may pass thru the medium of clean hands.

Miss Riggs adds to the noonday comfort of her little folks by preparing some hot dish daily to help make a cold lunch more appetizing and therefore more likely to be eaten.

Conclusion

The year has been one of steady improvement with nothing radical or startling. It has been just a normal healthy growth.

For the assistance and courtesy of teachers and school authorities I hereby express my sincere appreciation.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN G. BEAN

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LIST OF JURORS

Following is a list of Jurors for the year 1925.

Everett H. Chadwick, Main St., W. Boxford, Farmer
Charles F. Austin, Main St., W. Boxford, Farmer
William H. Dick, Valley road, W. Boxford, Printer
Simeon S. Pearl, Lake Shore road, W. Boxford, Farmer
Avard P. Lyons, Ipswich road, W. Boxford, Carpenter
David H. Anderson, Brook road, W. Boxford, Farmer
Paul L. Killam, Killam Hill road, E. Boxford, Farmer
Raymond E. Gillis, Boxford village, Carpenter
Joseph B. Matthews, Lawrence road, Boxford, Farmer
Walter W. French, Boxford village, Teamster
H. Parker Cheney, Middleton road, Boxford, Teamster
Stanley B. Hills, Boxford village, Carpenter

CHARLES PERLEY,
HARRY L. COLE.

Selectmen of Boxford.

SUGGESTED BUDGET

For the various town officers such sums as shall pay the annual charges of 1925 as these are presented at the annual town meeting, and the following sums are suggested as probably sufficient for several accounts and departments for the year 1926.

Treasurer	$175 00
Collector	300 00
Accountant	250 00
Clerk	250 00
Sealer of Weights & Measures	50 00
Forest Warden	500 00
Tree Warden	100 00
Police	125 00
Elections	150 00
Dog Officer	25 00
Health and Sanitation	300 00
Street Lighting	1,000 00
Charities	3,000 00
State Aid	125 00
Soldiers' Benefit	200 00
Memorial Day	75 00
Interest on loans	600 00
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth	500 00
Town Hall	300 00
Public Grounds	50 00
Bridges and Incidentals	250 00
Payment on State loan	1,000 00
Interest on State loan	170 00
Annual charge by the County of Essex for maintenance of the Tuberculosis Sanitarium	217 68
Pathing snow	

School Department Budget for 1926

Teachers			
2 at 1,300	2,600 00		
2 at 1,200	1,200 00		
1 at 1,100	1,100 00	4,900 00	
Supt. of Schools	700 00		
Transportation	150 00	850 00	
Super. Drawing and Music		525 00	
School Nurse		400 00	
Janitorship		600 00	
Doctor		50 00	
Attendance Officer		10 00	
Transportation			
East Boxford	2,050 00		
West Boxford	680 00		
Insurance	250 00	2,980 00	
Fuel	400 00		
Books and Stationery	350 00		
Janitor Supplies	50 00		
Repairs	300 00		
Office Expenses	25 00	1,125 00	
Total appro. for Grammar Schools			11,440 00
High School Transportation			
North Andover	1,560 00		
Danvers	400 00	1,960 00	
High School Tuition			
North Andover	3,000 00		
Danvers	1,000 00		
Topsfield	375 00	4,375 00	
Total High and Out of Town		6,335 00	6,335 00
Sundries and Reserve			50 00
Total of Budget			17,825 00

In respect to the roads the Board of Selectmen wish to leave the amount of appropriation to the discussion and decision of the voters of the town, strongly urging that the town co-operate with the State and County as in previous years according to the provisions of the state law.

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Essex, ss.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Boxford in said County.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in Town Hall, Boxford, on Monday, the first day of March next, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose the following officers, viz:

Moderator for One year.
One Selectman for Three Years.
One Assessor of Taxes for Three Years.
Collector of Taxes for One Year.
School Committee, One for Three Years.
Board of Health, One for Three Years.
Constables, Two for a term of One Year.
Tree Warden, One for a term of One Year.
Surveyors of Highways, Two for a term of One Year.

Also to Vote YES or NO on the Following Questions:

Shall Licenses be granted for the Sale of Certain Non-intoxicating beverages in this town for the current year?

The above named officers and questions will be voted upon one ballot.

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN AT 8.30 o'clock, A. M. and MAY CLOSE AT 12.30 o'clock P. M.

Article 2. To choose all other necessary Town Officers and Committees.

Article 3. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Article 4. To receive and act on the report of the Town Accountant.

Article 5. To take such action as may be deemed best relative to compensation of Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the several departments for the current year, to wit: Schools, Highways and bridges, Charities, Health department, Soldiers' relief, Street lighting, Moth suppression, State aid, Memorial Day, Forest warden, Town Hall, Election expenses, Reserve fund, Interest on temporary loans, Sealer of weights and measures, Town Accountant, Clerk's department, Registrars, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, Collector, Treasurer, Selectmen, and all other necessary and proper expenses arising during said year.

Article 7. To see what action the town will take in regard to unexpended appropriations.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take as to the recommendations of the Selectmen.

Article 9. To see what compensation the town will pay for labor in the several departments for the ensuing year.

Article 10. To appropriate money that may be refunded on account of dog licenses, to libraries or schools.

Article 11. To allow bills of charge and raise and appropriate money for paying the same.

Article 12. To take such action as may be deemed best in regard to making roads passable when encumbered with snow.

Article 13. To determine when the taxes shall be committed to the Collector, also the manner of collecting the same.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sufficient sum of money to put additional shelves in the vault at the Town Hall.

Article 16. To see what action the town will take on the offer of the West Boxford Realty Company to sell Lincoln Hall to the town for $4,000.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to assist in the extension of a line of poles and wires along Glendale Road in West Boxford, to furnish current to Charles H. Foster and others.

Article 18. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Polling place, Prect. 1 and 2, Town Hall, Boxford, Mass.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting houses in said town, fourteen days at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Boxford, this second day of February in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-six.

CHARLES PERLEY,
HARRY L. COLE,
JOSEPH B. MATTHEWS.
Selectmen of Boxford, Mass.

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Boxford Grammar Schools

Town Hall, Boxford, Mass.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

JUNE SEVENTEENTH

Nineteen Hundred and Twenty-six

Invocation	Rev. Harold Cutbill
Piano Solo	"The Lure of the Sea" Stephen Bixby
Salutatory Address	William Greenler
Music	"Merry June"—Vincent School Chorus
Essay	History of Boxford Rebecca Parkhurst
Vocal Solo	"A Rose in the Bud" Catherine Lyon
Reading	"June"—Tennyson Doris Maynard

Piano Solo — Selected
William Greenler

Essay — "Citizenship"
Congetta Pelleriti

Music — "The Happy Song"—Gaines
School Chorus

Valedictory Address — Stephen Bixby

Music — "The Vision"—Old Dutch Air
School Chorus

Presentation of Diplomas — Supt. S. G. Bean

Benediction — Rev. A. C. Legrow

MORSE SCHOOL

William Jeremiah Greenler
Charles Edward Killam
Catherine Durling Lyon
Congetta Rita Pelleriti
Alice Petitjean
Emile X. Petitjean

PALMER SCHOOL

Stephen Augustus Bixby
Kenneth Leslie Ingalls
Helen Doris Maynard
Marjorie Deane Perley
Rebecca Lucy Parkhurst

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Books added to Boxford Public Library, 1925 47
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OF THE

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

TOGETHER WITH THE

Report of the School Committee and the

Various Town Officers

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1926

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TOWN OFFICERS FOR THE YEAR 1926

MODERATOR

Chester Killam

TOWN CLERK

John W. Parkhurst, three years

SELECTMEN

Clinton B. Nason, one year
Joseph B. Matthews, two years
Harry L. Cole, three years

ASSESSORS OF TAXES

George B. Parkhurst, one year
Harry L. Cole, two years
Paul L. Killam, three years

OVERSEERS OF THE POOR

Selectmen

TREASURER

T. Perley Killam

COLLECTOR OF TAXES

Simeon S. Pearl, one year

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

Emery L. Bradford

CONSTABLES

David Mighill

Frank H. Spofford

HIGHWAY SURVEYORS

Raymond Perley
David A. Anderson

FIELD DRIVERS

TREE WARDEN

Charles F. Austin

MEASURERS OF WOOD AND BARK

SURVEYORS OF LUMBER

FENCE VIEWERS

BOARD OF HEALTH

Joseph B. Matthews, one year
Alice P. Austin, two years
Harry L. Cole, three years

FOREST WARDEN

Clarence E. Brown

DEPUTY FOREST WARDENS FOR 1926

Albert Curtis
Paul L. Killam
Harry L. Cole
Dana A. Kirkland
Robert B. Parkhurst
Raymond Perley
Simeon S. Pearl
Thomas Lucas

SPECIAL POLICE FOR 1926

SEALER OF WEIGHTS AND MEASURES

Clarence E. Brown

INSPECTOR OF ANIMALS

William J. Greenler, D. V. M.

INSPECTOR OF SLAUGHTERING

Augustus L. Whittier

MOTH SUPERINTENDENT

Joseph B. Matthews

MOWING TOWN LAWNS

Joe Sheldon

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

Robert B. Parkhurst, one year
Dimon Lockwood, two years
John T. Chadwick, three years

COMMITTEE ON SCHOOL FUNDS

William B. Howe Walter I. Chadwick John W. Parkhurst

DOG OFFICER

David Mighill

CHIEF OF THE FIRE DEPARTMENT

Walter W. French

ASSESSORS' REPORT

Poll $2.00 $30.00 on $1,000.00

Report of the Assessors for the year ending Dec. 31, 1926.

VALUATION, APRIL 1, 1926.

Real estate, land	$385,045 00
Real estate, buildings	520,913 00
Personal estate	176,193 00
	$1,082,151 00

STATISTICS

Number of polls assessed	207
Number of persons assessed polls only	53
Number of residents assessed on property	257
Number of non-residents assessed on property	216
Corporations and others (resident and non-resident)	39
Number of dwellings	292
Number of acres of land	14,269
Number of horses	130
Number of cows	302
Number of neat cattle	71
Number of sheep	46
Number of swine	23
Number of fowl	4,447
Value of fowl	$5,658 00

No December assessment

H. L. COLE

TAX STATISTICS

Rate on $1,000 $30.00 Polls $2.00

APPROPRIATIONS, MARCH 1, 1926

Selectmen	$280 00
Assessors	240 00
Overseers of Poor	70 00
Registrars	12 00
Board of Health	2 00
Perambulating town line	66 00
Town Census	20 00
Treasurer	175 00
Collector	400 00
Clerk	250 00
Accountant	250 00
Sealer of Weights & Measures	50 00
Dog Officer	25 00
Police	125 00
Elections	150 00
Forest Warden	500 00
Tree Warden	100 00
Charities	3,000 00
State Aid	125 00
Soldiers' Relief	200 00
Health and Sanitation	300 00
Memorial Day	75 00
Highways :—	
East Parish	2,000 00
West Parish	2,000 00
Washington St.	1,000 00
Ipswich Rd.	1,000 00
Bridges	250 00
Street Light	1,045 00
Pathing snow	2,000 00
Schools	16,000 00
Gypsy and Brown Tail Moth	500 00
Amount carried forward	*32,210 00*

Amount brought forward	*32,210 00*
Town Hall	375 00
Public Grounds	100 00
Interest on loans	600 00
State loan	1,000 00
State loan interest	170 00
Essex County Sanitarium	217 68
Town Reports	135 70
Total appropriation, March 1	34,808 38
Appropriation April 3	
Fire Truck	50 00
Appropriation April 30	
Looking up Motor Equipment	18 00
Special Police	9 00
Snow Plows	200 00
May 7, Additional Overlay for 1922	75 34
Total Appropriation	35,160 72
State Tax	1,800 00
County Tax	1,597 32
Overlay 1926	505 69
State Penalty	2 00
Soldiers' Exemption	20
Gypsy Moth	29 74
	$39,095 67
Estimated receipts	6,125 90
Total tax committed to Collector for 1926	32,969 77

TREASURER'S REPORT

RECEIPTS

Cash on hand Jan. 1, 1926		$1,860 95	
Received from S. S. Pearl, collector			
Tax 1920	98		
Tax 1921	3 71		
Tax 1922	5 13		
Tax 1923	18 79		
Tax 1924	189 73		
Moth	1 45		
Tax 1925	3,631 12		
Moth	5 55		
Poll	4 00		
Tax 1926	27,270 87		
Moth	83 17		
Poll	400 00		
Total receipts for taxes		31,614 50	
Commonwealth of Massachusetts, for details see Accountant's Report		14,558 43	
County of Essex, for details see Accountant's Report		2,235 07	
Revenue Loans		19,433 33	
Miscellaneous, for details see Accountant's Report		2,719 44	
			72,421 72

PAYMENTS

Treasury Warrants issued by Town Accountant and approved by Selectmen, for details see Accountant's Report	68,224 93
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1926	4,196 79
	72,421 72

T. PERLEY KILLAM, *Treasurer.*

TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT

Tax 1920			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1926		98	
Collected and paid Treasurer		98	
Tax 1921			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1926		14 08	
Collected and paid Treasurer	3 71		
Abated by Assessors	9 25	12 96	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1927			1 12
Tax 1921 Moth			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1926		7 30	
Abated by Assessors		7 30	
Tax 1922			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1926		82 02	
Collected and paid Treasurer	5 13		
Abated by Assessors	75 34	80 47	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1927			1 55
Tax 1923			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1926		20 50	
Collected and paid Treasurer	18 79		
Abated by Assessors	1 71	20 50	
Tax 1923 Poll			
Unpaid balance Jan 1, 1926		5 00	
Abated by Assessors		5 00	
Tax 1924			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1926		253 50	
Collected and paid Treasurer		189 73	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1927			63 77
Tax 1924 Moth			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1926		1 45	
Collected and paid Treasurer		1 45	
Amount carried forward			*66 44*

Amount brought forward			*66 44*
Tax 1925			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1926		4,009 35	
Collected and paid Treas.	3,631 12		
Abated by Assessors	16 64	3,647 76	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1927			361 59
Tax 1925 Moth			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1926		8 92	
Collected and paid Treasurer		5 55	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1927			3 37
Tax 1925 Poll			
Unpaid balance Jan. 1, 1926		10 00	
Collected and paid Treasurer	4 00		
Abated by Assessors	6 00	10 00	
Tax 1926			
Personal and Real committed to me by Assessors		32,464 54	
Collected and paid Treasurer		27,270 87	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1927			5,193 67
Tax 1926 Moth			
Commitment		91 23	
Collected and paid Treasurer		83 17	
Uncollected Jan. 1, 1927			8 06
Tax 1926 Poll			
Commitment		414 00	
Collected and paid Treasurer		400 00	
Uncollected Jan 1, 1927			14 00
Total Uncollected Taxes Jan. 1, 1927			5,647 13

SIMEON S. PEARL, *Tax Collector.*

TOWN ACCOUNTANT

To the Honorable Board of Selectmen of Boxford.

Gentlemen:—I herewith submit to you the following report of the details of the Department of Accounting for the fiscal year ending Dec. 31, 1926.

RECEIPTS

TAXES		
Simeon S. Pearl		
Tax 1920		
Real and Personal		98
Tax 1921		
Real and Personal		3 71
Tax 1922		
Real and Personal		5 13
Tax 1923		
Real and Personal		18 79
Tax 1924		
Real and Personal	189 73	
Moth	1 45	191 18
Tax 1925		
Real and Personal	3,631 12	
Moth	5 55	
Poll	4 00	3,640 67
Tax 1926		
Real and Personal	27,270 87	
Moth	83 17	
Poll	400 00	27,754 04
Amount carried forward		*31,614 50*

Amount brought forward			*31,614 50*
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS			
Highways			
General maintenance			
East Parish	2,550 00		
West Parish	2,550 00		
For construction			
Washington St.	1,000 00		
Ipswich Road	1,000 00	7,100 00	
Schools			
School fund	543 46		
School Superintendent	386 67		
School transportation	1,599 82	2,529 95	
TAXES			
Income tax 1923, '24, '25	136 20		
Income tax 1926	3,722 19		
Nat'l Bank tax	91 36		
Corp. tax Public Service	363 20		
" " Business	176 26		
Loss of taxes	102 47	4,591 68	
Inspection Animals	25 00		
Forestry	12 00		
Moth	129 80		
Military Aid	50 00		
State Aid	120 00	336 80	14,558 43
COUNTY OF ESSEX			
Highways			
Washington St.	1,000 00		
Ipswich Road	1,000 00	2,000 00	
Dog tax		235 07	2,235 07
Amount carried forward			*48,408 00*

Amount brought forward		*48,408 00*
MISCELLANEOUS		
Court fines	1,323 07	
Interest on deposits	97 68	
Interest on taxes	109 67	
Interest on School funds	200 00	
Sealer W'hts. & Meas. fees	3 20	
License, vendors	10 00	
License, butchers	50 00	
E. E. Pearl, deed	15 00	
Andover Fire	196 50	
Lund Estate, logs	20 00	
Lund Estate Furniture	100 00	
" " Gravel	95 10	
Rent "Morse" house	35 00	
Old tile	10 00	
Rent of Hall	64 00	
Road Oil	226 12	
Lead	16 35	
Killiam & Curtis Cem. Fund	3 50	
Sarah P. Perley fund	101 25	
McCarthy, moth	27 50	
B. & M. R. R.	14 00	
Andover refund	1 00	
State refund	50	2,719 44
Revenue loans		19,433 33
Cash Dec. 31, 1925		1,860 95
Total Receipts		72,421 72

PAYMENTS

TOWN OFFICERS

SELECTMEN		
Services 1925		
Charles Perley	75 00	
Harry L. Cole	140 00	
Jos. B. Matthews	65 00	280 00
OVERSEERS OF THE POOR		
Charles Perley	20 00	
Harry L. Cole	30 00	
Jos. B. Matthews	20 00	70 00
BOARD OF HEALTH		
Charles Perley		2 00
ASSESSORS		
Charles Perley	80 00	
Harry L. Cole	85 00	
Geo. B. Parkhurst	75 00	
Bertha Perley (clerk hire)	65 00	
Lilla D. Scott title transfers	16 10	
Geo. Doherty land	30 00	
Expense	4 84	355 94
TREASURER		
T. Perley Killam	100 00	
Bond	40 00	
Expense	4 05	144 05
TOWN CLERK		
J. W. Parkhurst	160 43	
Supplies and incidentals	34 03	194 46
COLLECTOR		
Bond	35 00	
Supplies and expense	75 60	
Simeon S. Pearl, salary	237 10	347 70
ACCOUNTANT		
Emery L. Bradford	200 00	
Supplies	20 40	220 40
Amount carried forward		*1,614 55*

Amount brought forward		*1,614 55*	
REGISTRARS			
Charles Perley	5 00		
Harry L. Cole	2 00		
Jos. B. Matthews	5 00	12 00	
ELECTIONS			
Dick & Trumpold, Ballots	38 37		
Services 15 election officers	95 00	133 37	
TAKING TOWN CENSUS			
Jos. B. Matthews		20 00	
PERAMBULATING TOWN LINES			
Charles Perley	20 00		
Harry L. Cole	26 00		
Jos. B. Matthews	20 00	66 00	
SEALER WEIGHTS AND MEASURES			
Insurance	23 04		
Paraphernalia	53 68	76 72	
POLICE			
David Mighill			
Services 1925	30 50		
" " 1926	65 24		
Harry L. Cole, Sutra case	9 00		
Carbone & Co., crates	1 00		
L. P. Marsolin, crates	3 90		
Salem News, notice	2 00		
Haverhill Gazette, notice	2 10		
Frank H. Spofford			
Services 1926	111 45		
Geo. E. Carver			
transportation	25 00	250 19	
DOG OFFICER			
David Mighill, services 1926		25 00	2,197 83
Amount carried forward			*2,197 83*

Amount brought forward			*2,197 83*

PROTECTION OF PERSONS AND PROPERTY

GYPSY AND BROWN TAIL MOTH			
Pay rolls	580 60		
Horse hire	80 00		
Gasoline	7 20		
Auto hire	42 00		
Expense	3 29	713 09	
TREE WARDEN			
C. E. Brown services 1925	12 80		
O. W. Butler three pruners	15 50	28 30	
FIRE WARDEN			
L. Sherman Lee	24 00		
Town Georgetown	8 00		
May 21 C. E. Brown several forest fires	279 00		
Soda Bicarbonate	3 75		
F. J. Morrissey, Rack	4 00		
Jun. 4 C. E. Brown forest fires	70 00		
Oct. 1 C. E. Brown Placidia fire	13 00		
Lund fire	40 75		
Dec. 3 C. E. Brown services '26	50 00		
Transportation	10 00		
Expenses	15 00		
Shovels	3 00	520 50	
Fire Truck Soda Bicarbonate		7 51	
HEALTH AND SANITATION			
A. L. Whittier Insp. Slaughter	208 00		
W. J. Greenler Insp. Animals	50 00		
Anti Rabis			
City of New York	25 00		
Ropes Drug Co.	27 00		
Dr. Sanborn	76 45	386 45	1,655 85
Amount carried forward			*3,853 68*

Amount brought forward			*3,853 68*
CHARITIES			
City of Haverhill			
Support of Goodale		837 85	
Support of Quimby		547 50	
Aid to Chas. Bascom		44 40	
Essex Sanatorium			
Care of Mary E. Donlan		232 70	
Support of Matilda Lund			
Services Mrs. Knight	420 00		
" Mrs. Whittier	520 00		
Provisions, L. E. Colby	159 37		
Wood, Island Box Co.	20 00		
" Harry L. Cole	18 00		
" C. H. Nelson	4 00		
Labor E. H. Doucette	11 95		
" Harry L. Cole	21 40		
Repairs A. P. Lynn	4 50		
" L. P. Balentine	13 22	1,192 44	
		2,854 89	
SARAH P. PERLEY FUND			
Mrs. Gould	36 60		
Mrs. Marden	64 65	101 25	
STATE AID			
Mrs. Hovey	24 00		
Mrs. Kimball	24 00	48 00	
SOLDIERS' RELIEF			
Mrs. Hovey		165 00	
ESSEX COUNTY SANATARIUM			
Annual maintenance		217 68	3,386 82
Amount carried forward			*7,240 50*

Amount brought forward			*7,240 50*

SCHOOLS

TEACHING			
Catherine McInness	1,100 00		
Alice E. Riggs	1,020 00		
Olive L. Shaw	1,220 00		
Florence A. Clarke	750 00		
Sarah Corbett	380 00		
Mary N. Cleaveland	206 25		
Helen Farley	168 00		
Florence Barker	360 00	5,204 25	
SUPERINTENDENCE			
Stephen G. Bean	630 00		
Transportation and exp.	129 75	759 75	
TUITION			
North Andover	2,415 00		
Danvers	103 04		
Topsfield	260 00	2,778 04	
TRANSPORTATION			
High School			
Geo. E. Carver	1,361 00		
T. Perley Killam	400 00		
Railroad fares	65 44	1,826 44	
Grade School			
Geo. E. Carver	747 00		
T. Perley Killam	683 00		
L. L. Ingalls	1,170 00	2,600 00	
INSURANCE			
Geo. E. Carver	113 22		
L. L. Ingalls	100 63		
T. Perley Killam	100 63	314 48	
Amount carried forward		*13,482 96*	*7,240 50*

Amount brought forward		*13,482 96*	*7,240 50*
REPAIRS			
C. P. Poor	225 00		
Geo. B. Parkhurst	33 67		
E. M. Dow	35 75		
A. J. Morris	32 89		
L. P. Balentine	8 14	335 45	
MISCELLANEOUS			
Janitors	594 00		
Physician	50 00		
Attendance Officer	10 00		
Books	86 39		
Supplies	238 00		
Fuel	406 13		
Incidentals	7 74	1,392 26	15,210 67
LIBRARIES			
West Boxford Lib. Assn.	117 54		
Boxford Lib. Assn.	117 53		235 07

HIGHWAYS

EAST PARISH			
General maintenance			
Labor & gravel	3,044 35		
Oil	1,400 73		
Culverts	72 92		
Tools	90 68		
Housing Road Machine	3 00		
Incidentals	2 50	4,614 18	
Amount carried forward		*4,614 18*	*22,686 24*

Amount brought forward		*4,614 18*	*22,686 24*
IPSWICH ROAD			
Construction			
Labor & gravel	2,606 40		
Culvert	88 91		
Oil	263 22		
Coal	25 60		
Tools	3 50		
Cement	3 33		
Stakes	3 20		
Gasoline & Oil	2 59		
Incidentals	3 30	3,000 05	
WEST PARISH			
General Maintenance			
Labor & gravel	3,551 21		
Oil	511 09		
Culvert	34 56		
Tools	25 30		
Incidentals	2 20	4,124 36	
WASHINGTON STREET			
Construction			
Labor & gravel	2,520 25		
Culvert	60 48		
Oil	350 93		
Water	10 00		
Coal	41 02		
Tools	13 82		
Incidentals	3 50	3,000 00	14,738 59
STREET LIGHTING			
Street lights		472 79	
Bonus East End	250 00		
Ingalls	95 00		
Perley	22 50		
Chandler & Dick	48 00		
Glendale	45 00	460 50	933 29
Amount carried forward			*38,358 12*

Amount brought forward			*38,358 12*
PATHING SNOW			
East Parish			
Labor & teams Feb. & March 1926	1,064 50		
Marstons Ex. Feb. & March 1926	907 50		
Labor & teams Dec. 1926	232 00		
Marstons Ex. Dec. 1926	56 25	2,260 25	
West Parish			
Labor & teams Feb. & March 1926	1,410 50		
Labor & teams Dec. 1926	173 50	1,584 00	3,844 25
SNOW PLOW			
For East Parish			55 00
Oil for Private Work			101 00
PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS			
Town Hall			
Janitor	39 20		
Fuel	59 90		
Light	10 56		
Aiken Bros. (mason)	67 08		
G. B. Parkhurst (repairs)	63 40		
E. C. Fuller (shelves)	57 00		
Joe Sheldon	5 00		
J. B. Matthews	5 00		307 14
Labor Hall Grounds			20 22
AGENCY			
State Tax	1,800 00		
County Tax	1,597 32		
Penalty	2 00		
Soldiers' Exemption	20		
Gypsy & Brown Tail Moth	29 74		3,429 26
Amount carried forward			*46,114 99*

Amount brought forward			*46,114 99*
STATE LOAN FOR SANITARIUM			
Payment on principle	1,000 00		
Interest	170 50		1,170 50
MISCELLANEOUS			
Looking up Motor Equipment Expenses	18 00		
Conference on Highway Safety Expenses	14 10		
Memorial Day A. K. Nason Expenses	75 00		
Town Reports 1925	135 70		
Lund Estate Jewett Howard Co., Trustee u/w Jane M. Carpenter	678 14		
Curtis & Killam Cemetery	3 50		924 44
Refund to Haverhill Court			15 00
MUNICIPAL INDEBTEDNESS			
Revenue loan		19,433 33	
Interest		566 67	20,000 00
Cash on hand Dec. 31, 1926			4,196 79
			72,421 72

BALANCE SHEET

December 31, 1926

Assets

Pearl, Simeon S., Collector			
Tax 1921	1 12		
Tax 1922	1 55		
Tax 1924	63 77		
Tax 1925	361 59		
Moth	3 37		
Tax 1926	5,193 67		
Poll	14 00		
Moth	8 06	5,647 13	
Cash balance Dec. 31, 1926		4,196 79	
			9,843 92

Liabilities

Overlay 1921	94 32	
Overlay 1924	46 36	
Overlay 1925	12 38	
Overlay 1926	505 69	658 75
Excess and Deficiency		9,185 17
		9,843 92

RECAPITULATION OF APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES FOR 1926

	Appropriation	Transfer from E & D	Received from State	Received from County	Refunds	Oil for Roads	From Lund Estate	Income from Funds	Tax Levy	Total	Expended	Balance	Carried to E & D
GENERAL GOVERNMENT													
Selectmen	280 00									280 00	280 00		
Overseers of Poor	70 00									70 00	70 00		
Assessors	240 00	115 94								355 94	355 94		
Treasurer	175 00									175 00	144 05	30 95	30 95
Clerk	250 00									250 00	194 46	55 54	55 54
Collector	400 00									400 00	347 70	52 30	52 30
Accountant	250 00									250 00	220 40	29 60	29 60
Registrars	12 00									12 00	12 00		
Elections	150 00									150 00	133 37	16 63	16 63
Town Census	20 00									20 00	20 00		
Perambulating Town Lines	66 00									66 00	66 00		
Sealer Weights and Meas	50 00	26 72								76 72	76 72		
Police	134 00	116 19								250 19	250 19		
Dog Officer	25 00	25 00								25 00	25 00		
PROTECTION PERSONS & PROPERTY													
Gypsy and brown tail moth	500 00	43 04	129 80		40 25					713 09	713 09		
Tree Warden	100 00									100 00	28 30	71 70	71 70
Fire Warden	500 00	20 50								520 50	520 50		
Fire Truck	50 00									50 00	7 51	42 49	42 49
Health and Sanitation	300 00	86 45								386 45	386 45		
Board of Health	2 00									2 00	2 00		
SCHOOLS													
For details see pages 19-20	16,000 00									16,000 00	15,210 67	789 33	
HIGHWAYS													
General maintenance													
East Parish	2,000 00		2,550 00		14 00	96 24				4,660 24	4,614 18	46 06	
West Parish	2,000 00		2,550 00		1 00	28 88	95 10			4,674 98	4,124 36	550 62	
Special Construction													
Washington Street	1,000 00		1,000 00	1 000 00						3,000 00	3,000 00		
Ipswich Road	1,000 00	05	1,000 00	1,000 00						3,000 05	3,000 05		
Snow plows	200 00									200 00	55 00	145 00	
Pathing Snow	2,000 00	1,844 25								3,844 25	3,844 25		
Oil private work					101 00					101 00	101 00		
Street lighting	1,045 00									1,045 00	933 29	111 71	
Bridges	250 00									250 00		250 00	
CHARITIES													
Support of Poor	3,000 00									3,000 00	2,854 89	145 11	
State Aid	125 00									125 00	48 00	77 00	
Soldiers' Relief	200 00									200 00	165 00	35 00	
AGENCY													
State Tax									1,800 00	1,800 00	1,800 00		
Soldiers' exemption									20	20	20		
Moth									29 74	29 74	29 74		
Penalty									2 00	2 00	2 00		
County tax									1,597 32	1,597 32	1,597 32		
MISCELLANEOUS													
Revenue loans										20,000 00	20,000 00		
Town Reports 1925	135 70									135 70	135 70		
Town Hall	375 00									375 00	307 14	67 86	
Public grounds	100 00									100 00	20 22	79 78	
Libraries				235 07						235 07	235 07		
Memorial Day	75 00									75 00	75 00		
Curtis and Killam Cemetery								3 50		3 50	3 50		
Sarah P. Perley Fund								101 25		101 25	101 25		
T. B. Sanitarium	217 68									217 68	217 68		
Looking up Motor equipment	18 00									18 00	18 00		
Conference on Highways		14 10								14 10	14 10		
Lund Estate		678 14								678 14	678 14		
Refund Haverhill Court		15 00									15 00		
State loan	1,000 00									1,000 00	1,000 00		
State loan interest	170 00				50					170 50	170 50		
									Total Expenditures		68,224 93		

RESOLUTIONS PASSED AT ANNUAL TOWN MEETING, MARCH 1, 1926

At the Annual Town Meeting held in Boxford, March 1, 1926, the following vote was passed and the resolutions were adopted, viz:

Voted to adopt the following resolutions, and that they be placed on the Town Records, and a copy sent to Mr. Perley's family, and that they be printed in the Town Report next year.

Whereas our friend and fellow-citizen Mr. Charles Perley, passed from our midst.

Therefore be it resolved:

That we, the citizens of the Town, in annual meeting assembled, desire to put on record our appreciation of the sterling worth of his character and our gratitude for his long and faithful service as one of the selectmen of the Town.

From 1881 to 1926, with a short interregnum when he was Manager of the Town Farm, he was re-elected to that office.

He was esteemed by us all as a man of integrity, he was conscientious in the discharge of his duties, faithful to his responsibilities, sagacious in his judgment, loyal in his friendship.

We knew him as a man of entire sincerity of character, trusted with the individual affairs of many persons and caring for these obligations with fidelity.

His passing is a well-nigh irreparable loss to us as individuals and to the business interests of the town.

We desire to express our sympathy to his family and to put in the records of the town our appreciation of his character and recognition of his worth as a citizen and servant of the town.

A true copy.

Attest: JOHN W. PARKHURST,

Town Clerk.

TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

For the year ending December 31, 1926

BIRTHS

Date of Birth	*Child's Name*	*Parent's Name*
1926		
Jan. 28.	Edward Robert Cunningham	Benj. Robert Cunningham Jennie Wood (Doucette)
Feb. 16.	Marcella Florence Lyon	Avard P. Lyon Frances E. (Sias)
Jan. 16.	Mary Louise Waters	Albert C. Waters Marion (Sanders)
April 16.	Barbara Elaine Zibell	James F. P. Zibell Eleanor Pearl (Ingalls)
May 25.	Jean Carolyn MacPherson	William E. MacPherson Gladys E. (Murray)
June 5.	Vera June Ellen Gurley	Samuel Arthur Gurley Esther Marion (Knott)
July 10.	David Jefferson Adkins	Clayton C. Adkins Sadie E. (Fullerton)
Aug. 5.	Madeline Pentren	John Pentren Florence (Beaudoin)
Aug. 26.	William Kimball Hagen	Lester G. Hagen Grace (Bascom)
Oct. 12.	William Walter Purkis	George T. Purkis Ada B. (Carter)
Oct. 28.	Gertrude Elizabeth Frost	William A. Frost Marion E. (Roakes)
Nov. 24.	Robert Edwin Maynard	Charles A. Maynard Helen G. (Flanders)

MARRIAGES

Date	*Names*	*Residence*
1926		
Mar. 1.	Frederick Osborne Hardy	Georgetown
	Sarah Alice Cheney	Boxford
June 12.	Elmer Hall Walter	Topsfield
	Mildred H. Parkhurst	Boxford
July 17.	Emile Letourneau	Boxford
	Florence M. (Gould) Derenne	Boxford
Nov. 25.	James A. Mace	Boston
	Lilian R. Goode	Brookline
Dec. 26.	Arthur W. Pleau	Boxford
	Cora E. (Lavigne) Colby	Boxford

DEATHS

Date		*Age*		
1926	*Names*	*Y.*	*M.*	*D.*
Jan. 10.	George Bradley Austin	82	6	28
Jan. 27.	Arthur D. Goodale	55	4	18
Jan. 22.	Annie E. Thwing	75		
Feb. 19.	Anna P. Park	83	5	2
Feb 20.	Charles Perley	71	4	4
Mar. 3.	Lucy A. Perley	66		
Mar. 9.	Emily Jane Chase	76	5	13
Apr. 14.	Mary Ann Hovey	87	5	2
Apr. 18.	Sarah L. Foster	75	3	21
May 3.	Thomas Edward Brown	66		
June 16.	Melissa Gould Marden	98	11	25
Feb. 11.	Florence H. Janes	72	10	3
Dec. 10.	Achsa W. Martin	80		
Dec. 15.	Maria D. Killam	72	1	10
Dec. 22.	Charles Gilbert Kimball	84	9	
Aug. 7.	Marion Kerins		8	22

The ages of the above average over 71 years.

DOG LICENSES

Whole number licensed in 1926, 125		
87 dogs at $2.00	174 00	
38 dogs at $5.00	190 00	364 00
Clerk's fees 125 dogs at .20 cents	25 00	
Amount sent County Treasurer	339 00	364 00

HUNTING LICENSES

35 Resident citizen's sporting	78 75	
3 Resident citizen's trapping	6 75	
1 Minor trappers	75	
1 Duplicate	50	86 75
39 fees at 25 cents	9 75	
Amt. sent Division of Fisheries and Game	77 00	86 75

Respectfully submitted,

JOHN W. PARKHURST,

Town Clerk.

REPORT ON THE SEVERAL TRUST FUNDS AND ACCOUNTS

TOWN FARM FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank		
On deposit Jan. 1, 1926		1,350 01
The Balance in the Merchants Trust Co. Savings Dept. was withdrawn and deposited Apr. 30.	75 07	
Interest on same	1 69	76 76
Interest on U. S. Bonds for 1926		796 88
Interest Lawrence Savings Bank		63 78
Balance Jan. 1, 1927		2,287 43

PUBLIC LIBRARY FUND

Lawrence Savings Bank	
On deposit Jan. 1, 1926	5,000 00
Interest for 1926	204 66
Balance Jan. 1, 1927	5,204 66

TOWN SCHOOL FUND

There are on deposit in Savings Banks the following sums:—

Haverhill Savings Bank	1,000 00	
Lawrence Savings Bank	1,000 00	
Warren Five Cents Savings Bank	1,000 00	
Essex Savings Bank	1,000 00	4,000 00

Interest on these deposits has been collected and paid into the Town Treasury as per the Accountant's report.

W. B. HOWE,
J. W. PARKHURST,
W. I. CHADWICK.

SARAH P. PERLEY FUND

The article in will of Sarah P. Perley is as follows:

"After the decease of my said neice, Mary Ellen Perley, I give into the hands of the Selectmen of the town of Boxford, then holding said office, and their successors in said office, forever, the sum of Two Thousand Dollars, the same to be known as the 'Sarah P. Perley Fund,' the same to be securely invested and the income therefrom to be annually distributed by said Selectmen to the worthy and needy widows and single women residents of the part of said Boxford known as the East Parish."

This sum of two thousand dollars (2,000.00) has been paid over by the Executor of the will and is deposited in the Andover Savings Bank. The income thereon to be disbursed according to the provisions of the aforesaid will.

Andover Sav. Bank Jan. 1, 1926	2,000 00	
Interest for 1925	101 25	
Interest for 1926	101 25	2,202 50
Interest withdrawn and paid into town treasury and disbursed as per report of Town Accountant		101 25
Balance in bank Jan. 1, 1927		2,101 25

HARRY L. COLE,
JOSEPH B. MATTHEWS,
CLINTON B. NASON.
Selectmen

SURPLUS WAR BONUS FUND

In November, 1924 the Commonwealth of Massachusetts paid over to the Town the sum of $383.47. This has been deposited in the Danvers Savings Bank and is subject to disbursement according to the provisions of law.

Chapter 480, in an act to provide for the return to the cities and towns of certain surplus funds collected to provide suitable recognition of those residents of Massachusetts who served in the army and navy of the United States during the war with Germany, and specifically provides that the money received shall be held as a special fund to be appropriated only for the purpose of paying indebtedness or for purposes for which a city or town may borrow money as specified in Sections 7 and 8 of Chapter 44, General Laws. Receipts from the Commonwealth on this account should not be credited to estimated receipts, but should be held as a special fund until appropriated for one of the purposes specified by Chapter 480. Any other use of this money is illegal.

Danvers Sav. Bank Jan. 1, 1926	396 99	
Interest for 1926	20 05	
Balance in Danvers Sav. Bank Jan. 1, 1927		417 04
To be disbursed as specified in Section 7 and 8 of Chapter 44, General Laws.		

T. PERLEY KILLAM,
Treasurer

TUBERCULOSIS HOSPITAL REFUND

Danvers Sav. Bank, Jan. 1, 1926	1,984 53	
Interest for 1926	100 45	
Balance in Danvers Sav. Bank Jan. 1, 1927		2,084 98

T. PERLEY KILLAM,
Treasurer

CURTIS AND KILLAM CEMETERY FUND

Danvers Sav. Bank Jan. 1, 1926	138 06	
Interest for 1926	6 98	145 04
Withdrawn for care of cemetery		3 50
Balance in Danvers Sav. Bank Jan. 1, 1927		141 54

T. PERLEY KILLAM,
Treasurer

STATE LOAN

For Tuberculosis Sanitarium Building Fund Due Commonwealth of Mass.	
Jan. 1, 1926	4,000 00
Paid Aug. 7, 1926	1,000 00
Due Com. of Mass. Jan. 1, 1927	3,000 00

I have checked up with the several banks where these various funds are deposited, and they are as stated in the details above.

EMERY L. BRADFORD,
Town Accountant

There are on deposit in the safety vault at the Merchants Trust Co. Lawrence, United States Fourth Liberty Bonds, par value $18,750.00.

There are Eighteen One thousand dollar bonds
One Five hundred dollar bond
Two One hundred dollar bonds
One Fifty dollar bond.

The interest of these bonds has been deposited in the Lawrence Savings Bank as shown in the report.

T. PERLEY KILLAM,
Treasurer.

ANNUAL REPORT

OF THE

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

OF THE

TOWN OF BOXFORD

FOR THE

YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1926

THE PERKINS PRESS, TOPSFIELD, MASS., 1927

SCHOOL OFFICIALS

SCHOOL COMMITTEE

DIMON LOCKWOOD, Chairman Topsfield	Term expires 1928
ROBERT B. PARKHURST, Secretary Boxford	Term expires 1927
JOHN T. CHADWICK, JR. West Boxford	Term expires 1929

SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS

STEPHEN G. BEAN
40 Central Street
Somerville, Mass.

ATTENDANCE OFFICER

JOHN SAWYER,
Topsfield

SCHOOL PHYSICIAN

DR. RAYMOND R. ROOT,
Georgetown

SCHOOL NURSE

MRS. FLORENCE BARKER,
72a Verona Street
E. Lynn, Mass.

SCHOOL CALENDAR

First Term. Jan. 3rd—Feb. 25th.
Recess Feb. 26th to March 5th.

Second Term. March 6th—April 29th.
Recess April 30th to May 7th.

Third Term. May 9th—June 17th.

Fall Term. Sept. 7th—Dec. 23rd.

SCHOOL HOLIDAYS

Feb. 22nd, April 19th, October 12th, Thanksgiving Recess Nov. 23rd noon, 24th and 25th.

GRADUATES, 1926

MORSE SCHOOL

William Jeremiah Greenler
Charles Edward Killam
Catherine Durling Lyon
Congetta Rita Pelleriti
Alice Petitjean
Emile X. Petitjean

PALMER SCHOOL

Stephen Augustus Bixby
Kenneth Leslie Ingalls
Helen Doris Maynard
Marjorie Deane Perley
Rebecca Lucy Parkhurst

REPORT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE

The year just closed has been marked by a co-ordination of School Department running, which reflects excellent service rendered by the entire teaching staff under the able guidance of our Superintendent. The School Nurse continues her good work and has somewhat broadened its scope. The Annual inspection by the School Physician continues to be most helpful and beneficial to the general health of our school children.

Children of the East Parish Schools are indebted to Mrs. Waters and Mrs. Little for two phonographs presented to the Palmer and Wood Schools, and the School Committee avail themselves of this opportunity to publicly thank the donors for their gift and co-operative interest.

As the result of much investigating, the Committee were able to arrange locally for the refinishing of all of our school desks and seats. All worn surface of desks and seats was smoothly finished and varnished, making our equipment almost as good as new, at a great saving.

Repeated requests have been made by residents on the road from East to West Boxford, passing Mortimers, for transportation of their children to school, the longest distance walked by children on this road is now one and eight tenths miles, twice daily. The Committee recommend that the Town raise and appropriate money as recommended in the proposed budget to care for this route.

Constant effort has been made by your Committee to maintain as low a scale of expenditures as would be real economy, bearing in mind at all times, that real economy does not mean neglect or the putting over of expenses to be met another year in the future. At one time during the year it seemed impossible to make the years expenses on the money appropriated at the last regular Town Meeting, however the unexpected reduction in number of High School pupils, coupled with incidental savings, have enabled

the School Department to have an unexpended balance rather than a deficit.

It seems needless to point out that accommodations for the pupils in the two school houses, namely the Palmer and Wood are not ideal, a central school building would be of advantage in many ways. The question has frequently been asked the members of the School Committee, as to why the lower grades are transported to the Wood School? There are two reasons which it seems well to record at this time. First of all the matter of our transportation system, to run the busses and serve two schools it is self evident that a bus may not be in two places at the same time, therefore of necessity the school day of one school must be shortened, to this shortening of the school day the first four grades lend themselves best, and the upper grades have the advantage of an extra half hour per day in consequence, as the children are delivered to the Wood School last in the morning and picked up there first afternoons. Second, it is within the power of the parents to so assist their children, that they need spend fewer years in the lower grades than in the upper, also the Palmer School building is larger and better suited to the older scholars.

For the first time, all High School pupils from the East Parish, with one exception, are attending the Topsfield High School. As to distance of transportation, the arrangement is ideal, the educational advantages offered are of a good grade, there are some disadvantages in equipment and conveniences, but your School Committee consider conditions to be the best offered. We are indebted to the Town of Topsfield for the advantages made so conveniently available.

Respectfully submitted,

DIMON LOCKWOOD,
ROBERT B. PARKHURST,
JOHN T. CHADWICK, JR.

SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

To the School Committee of Boxford

Gentlemen : I submit herewith my third Annual Report as Superintendent of Schools. Since there have been no subnormal or supernormal changes during the year, this report can have that very desirable quality, brevity.

General

Progress has been uniformly satisfactory throughout the system during the year. There have been no spectacular "highspots," but the whole tone of things seems to have advanced to a new high level.

This is especially noticeable in the West Parish where conditions are vastly better than they were two years ago. Thanks to the work of two very good teachers, following a drastic reorganization and regradation, we are now getting a uniformly good grade of work done in the upper grades throughout the town.

I believe a distinct gain will come to the lower grades as the result of a recent change in the basal reading system. In the writers opinion the new system is the most efficient medium for acquiring reading ability and technique that is as yet in the market. It is significant that the teachers who are using the system concur in this opinion. Other more widely advertised systems were "tried out" but failed to meet our needs.

The attitude of the children with reference to their work has been very fine. A better sense of responsibility seems to have developed together with a keener and more sincere interest in routine subject matter. This is a very significant change. It is comparatively easy to secure interest in the so-called special subjects, but when a difference so marked appears with reference to the "daily grind," it is a source of justifiable satisfaction. Credit should be given to the teachers who have attained this very desirable condition.

The Teaching Staff

The only change in the teaching personnel during the year was that made necessary by the resignation of Miss Florence A. Clarke from the upper grades of the Gardner Morse School at West Boxford. This vacancy was filled by Miss Sarah Corbett of Lawrence.

Miss Corbett has continued and amplified the excellent work of her predecessor. Her training at Lowell Normal School supplemented by a year of substitute teaching in and about Lawrence is evidenced by the quality of work she has been doing for Boxford.

Under this new leadership certain simple clubs have functioned very successfully and profitably adding new interest to the regular school routine. The county extension work thru the Essex Agricultural School has also held its following. Numerous youngsters have called my attention to their proudly worn Four H buttons. These represent out of school interests in practical activities of the home and farm in which they have taken a personal and active part.

Physical Surroundings

A pronounced improvement has been made in the seating equipment in all school rooms of the town. Every desk and chair was given a complete refinish by smoothing machinery and varnish so that school opened in the fall with as good as new furniture.

It was a matter of keen financial wisdom to do this rather than install new furniture as at first considered. The saving was from 65% to 75% of the cost of the new article, and since the existing furniture was all of the adjustable type and suffering only from the ravages of wear and tear, although it had reached a condition where it could also do some wearing and tearing, a distinct and desirable saving of both clothing and money is evident. Rough and furrowed desk tops are now smooth and shining, and splintered chairs no longer test the patience and needles of tired mothers.

The heating apparatus in the Gardner Morse School continues to show the good effects of repairs so that walls and ceilings retain their pristine freshness, and children can safely breathe the atmosphere of the school-rooms.

There is still one very necessary improvement possible in all of our school buildings. If no new building is likely to be done within the next few years, this should receive immediate attention. It is just as necessary in the Morse School as in the two little white schoolhouses. This is the change in the lighting. The change seems so easy and comparatively inexpensive to make and is so very urgently necessary, that funds should at once be placed at the disposal of the Committee for this specific purpose.

A glance at any one of these buildings will show widely spaced windows ON BOTH SIDES OF EVERY SCHOOL-ROOM. This is wholly contrary to all rules of school lighting now followed. Such a condition is detrimental not only to eyesight, but to general health as well, if we accept the statements of medical authorities. The system of cross lights and shadows set up by window placement such as is now in force produces not eye-strain alone, but attendant nervous reactions which effect the general health.

The change would call for no increase in the number of windows. All that is needed is a re-location of all right hand windows. These should be removed and placed in the spaces between the windows on the left of the pupils. Windows in the front of the rooms should be replaced by blackboards for such part of their area as will conform with the present equipment.

This is really urgent and should not be passed over lightly as a modern fad. This is one of the most striking things noted in passing school buildings of the old type. It is almost an index of the attitude of the community towards its schools.

Progress of Pupils

An attempt was made last year to place all pupils in

the grade where they were best fitted. The result is that during the current school year nearly every child is progressing comfortably with none of the strain attendant on an endeavor to maintain a level to which his development has not yet attained. It is easier for both children and teachers, and, I believe, for parents as well.

While this regrading was done on the basis of subjective judgment rather than by standardized tests, the results have as yet shown no error in the regrading.

There are one or two children in the first grades who seem a bit immature to attempt to do real first grade work efficiently, but in these particular instances the children have sufficient mental development to do the work. It is therefore evident that mental tests would prove a better basis of determining entrance to school than is the present chronological age basis.

High School Facilities

The change whereby the children of High School grades from the East Parish have been relieved from the long trip to Danvers is proving satisfactory in more than the physical element. Inspection shows that good progress is being made and a reasonable degree of contentment found in the Topsfield school. It is surely far better for young people of high school age to be relieved from the long unsupervised period away from home which was necessitated by the earlier arrangement, particularly in view of the change in transportation facilities.

High School facilities for the pupils from West Boxford continue to be provided by the North Andover school. Here satisfactory progress is being made by those who were properly prepared and are really interested. Of these two elements the one of preparation is assured for the future, because no pupil can expect promotion to the high school until he is ready to do the work successfully if he so wills.

Pupil Distribution

Two simple tables given below show the distribution

of pupils in the schools of the town arranged by age and grade and by school and grade. The data was collected as of December 31.

AGE AND GRADE DISTRIBUTION

	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	T	UA	%	OA	%
I		3	4	1								8	0	0	1	12.5
II		1	6	3	1							11	1	9	1	9
III			1	4	2		1					8	1	12.5	1	12.5
IV					8	4						12	0	0	0	0
V					1	6			1			8	1	12.5	1	12.5
VI						1	4	2	1			8	1	12.5	1	12.5
VII								4	2	2		8	0	0	2	25
VIII								1	3	4		8	1	12.5	0	0
		4	11	8	12	11	5	7	7	6		71	5	7	7	10

This table shows that our proportions of acceleration and retardation are within conventional bounds and that progress is reasonably normal throughout the system.

It will be seen that there is little change in numbers as compared to the report of the previous year. There is a prospect of a slight increase in numbers for the next school year.

SCHOOL AND GRADE DISTRIBUTION

	I	II	III	IV	V	VI	VII	VIII	
Aaron Wood	4	8	3	6					21
Palmer					3	3	6	5	17
Morse Primary	4	3	5	6					18
Morse Grammar					5	5	2	3	15
	8	11	8	12	8	8	8	8	71

In this table is to be noted the very even division of children among the four rooms of the system. The evenness of distribution in the different grades is peculiarly interesting.

Conclusion

In closing may I comment on the harmony which has marked the relations of the legislative and executive branches of this department. It has made the year's work pleasant for all concerned and has worked to the corresponding good of the schools.

Respectfully submitted,

STEPHEN G. BEAN

LIST OF JURORS

Following is a list of Jurors for the year 1926.

Everett H. Chadwick, Main St., W. Boxford, Farmer
George H. Nason, Dole Hill, W. Boxford, Mechanic
Walter K. Morss, Lake Shore Rd., W. Boxford, Fruit Grower
Arthur D. Whittier, Glendale Rd., W. Boxford, Laborer
Charles A. Bixby, Depot Rd., Boxford, Mail Carrier
Ed. K. Mortimer, W. Boxford Rd., Boxford, Laborer
Harry F. Moore, Boxford Village, Boxford, Laborer
George A. Gould, Boxford Village, Boxford, Laborer
Stanley B. Hills, Boxford Village, Boxford, Carpenter

HARRY L. COLE,
JOSEPH B. MATTHEWS,
CLINTON B. NASON.
Selectmen of Boxford.

REPORT OF DOG OFFICER

Whole number of dogs		135
Number of dogs licensed	125	
Number recorded elsewhere	10	
		135
Number of male dogs	87	
Number of female dogs	38	
		125
Number of dogs in First Parish		61
Number of male dogs	41	
Number of female dogs	20	
		61
Number of dogs in Second Parish		64
Number of male dogs	47	
Number of female dogs	17	
		64
Collected by Dog Officer	$272 00	
Collected by Town Clerk	92 00	
Collected in all		364 00

There has been six complaints made to the dog officer the past year and three dogs have been killed, twenty dogs were found by the dog officer since the Assessors were around, and their taxes paid.

Respectfully submitted,

DAVID MIGHILL,

Dec. 31, 1926 *Dog Officer.*

BOOKS ADDED TO BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY IN 1926

Bailey, Temple Blue Window.....B16b
Beach, Rex Padlocked.....B33p
Beggers, Earl Der Fifty candles.....B49
Beston, Henry Book of gallant vagabonds.....920-B
Bowers, Claude G. Jefferson and Hamilton.....B-J35b
Bowen, Louise de K. Growing up with a city.....B-B73g
Bojer, Johan Emigrants.....B62e
Byrne, Donn Hangman's house.....B102h
Business man's dictionary.....O31
Cramb, J. A. Rule of might.....C845r
Cullen, Countee Color.....821-C94c
Eaton, Water Pritchard Bucolic attitude.....500-E1b
Ebers, George Uarda.....Eb35u
Erty, Susan After noon.....Er44a
Fitch, Albert P. None so blind.....F53n
Farnol, Jeffery High adventure.....F20h
Galsworthy, John Silver spoon.....G12s
Gibbs, Philip Unchanging guest.....G43u
Grey, Zane Vanishing American.....G88v
Henriot, Emile Aricie Brun.....H39a
Herrick, Robert Chimes.....H43ch
Hudson, W. H. Afoot in England.....914.2-H9a
Hutchinson, A. S. M. One increasing purpose.....H90o
Around the world with Kipling..B-K8
Knibbs, H. H. Sungazers.....K76s
Lane, Bertha P. Lad and other story plays.....j822-L
Leacock, Stephen Winnowed wisdom.....L50w
Levin, Oscar L. Your hair and your health.....613-L05
Morley, Christopher Thunder on the left.....M81t
Masefield, John Odtaa.....M37o
Mannin, Ethel Sounding brass.....M315s
Muir, John Stickeen.....M89s

Norris, Kathleen Black Flemings.....N81b
Oppenheim, E. Phillips Golden beast.....Op5go
Porter, Gene Stratton Keeper of the bees.....P82k
Parker, Gilbert Power and the glory.....P22po
Pedler, Margaret Tomorrow's tangle.....P32t
Sabatini, Rafael Strolling saint.....Sa12st
Sabatini, Rafael Lion's skin.....Sa12li
Schreiner, S. C. C. Life of Olive Schreiner.....B-Sc
Singmaster, Elsie Keller's Anna Ruth.....Si5k
Singmaster, Elsie Bred in the bone.....Si5b
Smith, Nora A. Kate Douglas Wiggin as
her sister knew her.....B-W5s
Thompson, Sylvia Hounds of Spring.....T39h
Wharton, Edith Here and beyond.....W55he
Our debt to France.....327-W

JUVENILE

Bachman, Frank P. Great inventors and their
inventions.....j920-B1g
Bass, Florence Stories of pioneer life.....j973-B1p
Barnes, James Midshipman Farragut.....jB-F2b
Colum, Padriac The voyagers.....jC73v
Crothers, Samuel M. Children of Dickens.....jC89c
Danielson, F. W. comp. Little animal stories.....jD5l
Daudet, Alphonse Pope's mule.....jD15p
DeAmicis, Edmondo Cuore.....jAm
Fyleman, Rose Fairies and chimneys.....j821-F9f
Gordy, Wilbur F. Stories of later American
history.....j973-G7s
Green, Homer Coal and the coal mines.....j622-G
Griffith, Alice N. Stars and their stories.....j520-G
Hamlin, John H. Beloved acres.....jH14b
Heming, Arthur Living forest.....jH36l
Hinkson, Katharine T. Great Captain.....jH41g
Hooker, Forrestine Cricket.....jH55c
Hull, James H. Sid Turner, fire-guard.....jH86s
Hull, James H. Trail and pack horse.....jH86t

Janvier, Thomas A. Aztec treasure house.....jJ20a
Meigs, Cornelia Rain on the roof.....jM53r
Morley, Margaret W. Bee people.....j595-M7b
McNeil, Everett Tonty of the iron hand.....jMc
Milne A. A. When we were very young.....j821-M
Moon, Grace Chi-wee.....jM76c
Munroe, Kirk Derrick Sterling.....jM81d
Musset, Paul de Mr. Wind and Madam Rain.....jM86
Phillips, Ethel C. Pretty Polly Perkins.....jP41p
Purdy, Nina Wide open eye.....jP975w
Rankin, Carroll W. Dandelion cottage.....jR3d
Shaw, Flora L. Castle Blair.....jSh3c
Scott, Evelyn and C. K. In the endless sands.....jSc6i
Wallace, Dillon Long Labrador Trail.....jW16l
White, Eliza O. When Molly was six.....jW5w

BOOKS ADDED TO WEST BOXFORD PUBLIC LIBRARY IN 1926

Ayres, Ruby M. The romance of a rogue.....A7r
Bailey, F. E. Dolf.....B15d
Beck, James M. The Constitution of the United States.....342-B39c
Berger, Helen Judy's man.....B46j
Bianco, Margery The little wooden doll.....J-B47l
Blaisdell, M. F. Polly and Dolly.....J-B58p
Twilight town.....J-B58t
Bower, B. M. Good Indian.....B67g
The Gingoes.....B67t
Braley, Berton The sheriff of Silver Bow.....B72s
Brooks, Amy Princess Polly.....J-B79p
Buck, Chas. M. Alias Red Ryan.....B85a
Burgess, T. W. The Burgess bird book for children.....J598-B91b
Camp, Wadsworth The gray mask.....C15g

Chambers, Robert W. The conspirators.....C35c
The danger mark.....C35d
Lorraine.....C35l
The maids of Paradise.....C35m
The reckoning.....C35r
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SUGGESTED BUDGET

For the various town officers such sums as shall pay the annual charges of 1926 as these are presented at the annual town meeting, and the following sums are suggested as probably sufficient for several accounts and departments for the year 1927.

Treasurer	$150 00
Collector	400 00
Accountant	225 00
Clerk	225 00
Sealer Weights & Measures	75 00
Forest Warden	500 00
Tree Warden	50 00
Police	200 00
Dog Officer	25 00
Health & Sanitation	300 00
Street Lighting	800 00
Charities	2,500 00
Memorial Day	75 00
Interest on Loans	600 00
Gypsy & Brown Tail Moth	800 00
Town Hall	100 00
Public Grounds	50 00
Bridges & Incidentals	250 00
Payment on State Loan	1,000 00
Interest on State Loan	127 50
Annual charge by the County of Essex for Maintenance of the Tuberculosis Sanitarium	229 94

In respect to the roads the Board of Selectmen wish to leave the amount of appropriation to the discussion and decision of the voters of the town, strongly urging that the town co-operate with the State and County as in previous years according to the provisions of the state law.

School Budget A.

Teachers			
1 at 1,300	1,300 00		
1 at 1,200	1,200 00		
2 at 1,100	2,200 00	4,700 00	
Supervisors		515 00	
Nurse		400 00	5,615 00
Superintendent			
Salary	700 00		
Transportation & Expenses	150 00		850 00
Tuition			
N. Andover	1,200 00		
Topsfield	1,300 00		
Danvers	150 00		2,650 00
Transportation			
High School			
N. Andover	1,000 00		
Topsfield	1,000 00		
Danvers	40 90		2,040 90
Grades			
W. Boxford	1,000 00		
E. Boxford	1,700 00		2,700 00
Insurance			325 00
Repairs			300 00
Miscellaneous			
Janitors	600 00		
Physician	50 00		
Attendance Officer	10 00		
Books and Stationery	350 00		
Fuel	450 00		
Incidentals	50 00		1,510 00
			15,990 90

School Budget B.

For transportation to serve the East to West Boxford Road passing Messrs. Mortimer and Gray. 400 00

WARRANT FOR TOWN MEETING

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

ESSEX, SS.

To either of the Constables of the Town of Boxford in said County.

Greeting:

In the name of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts you are directed to notify and warn the inhabitants of the Town of Boxford, qualified to vote in elections and town affairs, to meet in Lincoln Hall, West Boxford, on Monday, the seventh day of March next, at eight o'clock in the forenoon, then and there to act on the following articles, viz:

Article 1. To choose the following officers, viz:

Moderator for One Year.

One Selectman for Three Years.

One Assessor of Taxes for Three Years.

Collector of Taxes for One Year.

School Committee, One for Three Years.

Board of Health, One for Three Years.

Constables, Two for a term of One Year.

Tree Warden, One for a term of One Year.

Surveyors of Highways, Two for a term of One Year.

Also to vote YES or NO on the Following Questions:

Shall Licenses be granted for the Sale of Certain Non-intoxicating beverages in this town for the current year?

The above named officers and questions will be voted upon one ballot.

THE POLLS WILL BE OPEN AT 8.30 o'clock A. M. and MAY CLOSE AT 12.30 o'clock P. M.

Article 2. To choose all other necessary Town Officers and Committees.

Article 3. To hear and act on the reports of Town Officers and Committees.

Article 4. To receive and act on the report of the Town Accountant.

Article 5. To take such action as may be deemed best relative to compensation of Town Officers and Committees for the ensuing year.

Article 6. To see what sums of money the Town will vote to raise and appropriate for the use of the several departments for the current year, to wit: Schools, Highways and bridges, Charities, Health department, Soldiers' Relief, Street lighting, Moth suppression, State aid, Memorial Day, Forest warden, Town Hall, Election expenses, Reserve fund, Interest on temporary loans, Sealer of weights and measures, Town Accountant, Clerk's department, Registrars, Assessors, Overseers of the Poor, Collector, Treasurer, Selectmen, and all other necessary and proper expenses arising during said year.

Article 7. To see what action the town will take in regard to unexpended appropriations.

Article 8. To see what action the town will take as to the recommendations of the Selectmen.

Article 9. To see what compensation the town will pay for labor in the several departments for the ensuing year.

Article 10. To appropriate money that may be refunded on account of dog licenses, to libraries or schools.

Article 11. To allow bills of charge and raise and appropriate money for paying the same.

Article 12. To take such action as may be deemed best in regard to making roads passable when encumbered with snow.

Article 13. To determine when the taxes shall be committed to the Collector, also the manner of collecting the same.

Article 14. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Treasurer, with the approval of the Selectmen, to borrow money from time to time in anticipation of the revenue of the financial year.

Article 15. To see if the town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to appoint a Committee to investigate the advisability of establishing a town forest, or take any action thereon.

Article 16. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate a sum of money for snow fence or take any action in the matter.

Article 17. To see if the town will vote to raise and appropriate any sum of money to assist in the extension of a line of poles and wires along Ipswich Road in West Boxford, to furnish current to The Lynn Rotary Club and others.

Article 18. To transact any other business that may legally come before the meeting.

Polling place, Prect. 1 and 2, Lincoln Hall, West Boxford, Mass.

And you are directed to serve this Warrant by posting attested copies thereof at each of the public meeting houses in said town, fourteen days at least, before the time of holding said meeting.

Hereof fail not, and make due return of this warrant, with your doings thereon, to the Town Clerk, at the time and place of holding said meeting.

Given under our hands at Boxford, this second day of February in the year nineteen hundred and twenty-seven.

HARRY L. COLE,
JOSEPH B. MATTHEWS,
CLINTON B. NASON.
Selectmen of Boxford.

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